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ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944



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Richard L. Hollbrook

MAYOR OF KEENE

MAYOR'S SPEECH

Members of the City Councils:

History will undoubtedly show that we have just passed through two of the most critical years of our country's existence. It has been necessary for all of us to exert every effort possible to the one main goal - - the winning of the war. That goal - - that necessity is still before us and, until victory comes, everything in our daily lives that is not a direct contribution to the war effort should be considered of secondary importance.

Two years ago it was very apparent that gigantic sums of federal monies were going to be needed to finance the war and that the citizens of our country were going to be burdened with the greatest federal taxation in history. It was very essential therefore for municipalities to cut their budgets to the minimum to lighten the load of city taxes for their citizens to enable them to meet their federal tax obligations and the more to contribute to the purchasing of War Bonds. I advocated to the past City Government and City Officials that our 1942 and 1943 Budgets be cut to the bare essentials necessary for the operation of our various departments. The suggestion was unanimously approved and I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the members of the out-going City Government and the various department officials for their careful consideration of expenditures and their careful adherence to the pared budgets.

As we are still passing through the gravest crisis in history and federal taxation is to be even greater in 1944, I advocate the continuance of the City's budget policy of the past

two years of appropriating only such monies as are necessary for the minimum essential operation of our various city departments.

After monies have been appropriated, it is vital that the assessed taxes be collected if the city is to function and remain solvent. As of December 31, 1943, our tax collector had collected \$480,392.12 of 1943 taxes on the 1943 tax warrant delivered to him of \$521,149.05. I want to take this opportunity to commend our tax collector, Cleon A. Nims, for the excellent performance of the duties of his office. At this time, I also want to commend the work of Deputy Tax Collector, Police Officer Ronald M. Seaver, who has demonstrated great diligence, as well as courtesy and diplomacy in the performance of his duties.

While our main objective is, and should be, the winning of the war, I consider it very necessary that we take definite steps now to prepare for the post-war period. I deem it a civic responsibility of this community to see to it that there is a job ready for every one of our boys, now serving in the armed forces of our country, when they return to us after peace demobilization. They have every right to expect a job from us when they return as they sacrificed all to protect everything we hold dear. I am positive that they do not want the Government to run the whole show; they do not want a totalitarian state. But that they do want freedom of enterprise; freedom for cooperative action; and freedom of choice of occupation. All of these freedoms are what they are fighting for. But just as certain as I'm standing here, if we don't

have jobs ready for these men when they return, the Federal Government will step in with "make-Work" or "leaf-raking" jobs and that great heritage, which we hold so dear - - freedom of enterprise -- will have vanished forever. Our community pride should be of such a high degree that we would abhor the thought that the Federal Government would have to step in to provide jobs for our boys.

How shall we provide these jobs? Before the war--industry, mercantile, professional, contractual, other related business, and agriculture furnished the bulk of the jobs in our community. The City Planning Board appealed to me as the civic body best suited to project this program and co-ordinate its many phases. A little less than a year ago I asked them to accept this task which they unanimously agree to do.

Meanwhile the Committee on Economic Development - - a national organization -- originated to arouse industry to the necessity of providing jobs in the post-war period, visited Keene, and organized an Executive Committee here to carry on in our community. Under the able leadership of its chairman, David Putnam, the Committee on Economic Development made a survey of our manufacturers relative to their contemplated program of employment after the war and, although I am not privileged to reveal the actual figures, I am pleased to report that our industries expect, as a whole, to employ more men than they did previous to the war. However, this favorable survey does not solve the problem - - statistics show that Keene's industries provide only one-third of the total employment in the city; the other two-thirds be-

ing provided by the mercantile, professional, contractual businesses, agriculture and the City itself.

Already the City Planning Board, through one of its committees has contacted the Merchants' Association regarding a survey of its members as to how many jobs they will provide after the war. It is my understanding that this survey is about ready to proceed. Similar surveys will be requested of the other employer groups until we have comprehensive figures of the entire City. This is a community responsibility and should have the wholehearted cooperation of every employer of labor and every citizen.

I consider also that the City itself has a responsibility in this program to provide jobs, when needed after the war, on necessary worthwhile public works. I have drawn up a list of public works projects which I consider worthwhile and necessary at sometime in the future and I would ask your careful consideration of same. The first one, I shall call the Beaver Brook Project; which, in my opinion, should be the first post-war project started by the city because of its economic importance. Everyone knows of the economic losses caused by this stream in the past. Plans are drawn and ready for straightening and lining Beaver Brook so that all flood waters can be carried off without overflowing its banks. In fact, the project was scheduled to start when war broke out.

No. 2 Project—City-Wide Sidewalk Improvement.

No. 3 Project—Circumferential Highways.

No. 4 Project—Community Center.

No. 5 Project—Watershed Forestry.

No. 6 Project—Waterworks Improvement and Enlargement.

No. 7 Project—Public Works Building.

No. 8 Project—New City Hall.

Time does not permit me to discuss these projects individually at present, but I shall be glad to do so at some later date.

Undoubtedly the members of the City Government have other worth-

while public works projects to suggest which should be given careful consideration.

In closing, let me urge that all of us pledge ourselves to do our utmost in this community endeavor to have a job ready for every one of our boys when they return home after the victory is won. They have given their lives for us - - we certainly owe this much to them!

CITY GOVERNMENT

1944-1945

HON. RICHARD L. HOLBROOK
Mayor

ALDERMEN

CLIFFORD E. EMERY	<i>Ward 1</i>
DAYTON L. PARK	<i>Ward 2</i>
FREDERICK D. MITCHELL	<i>Ward 3</i>
LEROY E. CODDING	<i>Ward 4</i>
J. GERALD MCCARTHY	<i>Ward 5</i>
(Resigned February 7, 1944).	
HAROLD T. PACKARD	<i>Ward 5</i>
(Elected April 14, 1944).	

COMMON COUNCILMEN

HOWARD W. KIRK	<i>Ward 1</i>	ARTHUR A. KINGSBURY	<i>Ward 4</i>
DON W. COOK		ROBERT M. SAYERS, SR.	
HERBERT H. SANDERSON		L. ROLAND TAYLOR	
FRED P. AMADON, JR.	<i>Ward 2</i>	WILLIAM H. SHEA	<i>Ward 5</i>
(Resigned February 14, 1944).		VENA DiLUZIO	
F. STRATTON MORSE		ANGELO DiBERNARDO	
CLIFFORD W. MARTIN			
OLANDE C. PUTNEY	<i>Ward 3</i>		
ARCHIE S. GLEASON		HARRY E. GALE	
ALLEN L. MARTIN		<i>Clerk</i>	

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE

Appointed January 6, 1944

FINANCE:

MAYOR HOLBROOK, ALDERMAN MITCHELL, COUNCILMEN ALLEN L. MARTIN and TAYLOR.

PUBLIC WORKS:

ALDERMAN EMERY, COUNCILMEN PUTNEY and SHEA.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

ALDERMAN CODDING, COUNCILMEN COOK and DiLUZIO.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

ALDERMAN PACKARD, COUNCILMEN SANDERSON and KINGSBURY.

CEMETERY:

ALDERMAN PARK, COUNCILMEN MORSE and CLIFFORD MARTIN.

LAND AND BUILDINGS:

ALDERMAN CODDING, COUNCILMEN Di BERNARDO and GLEASON.

STREET LIGHTS:

ALDERMAN CODDING, COUNCILMEN AMADON and KIRK.

SCHOOLS:

ALDERMAN PARK, COUNCILMEN KIRK and CLIFFORD MARTIN.

PUBLIC PARKS:

ALDERMAN EMERY, COUNCILMEN KINGSBURY and DiLUZIO.

PRINTING:

ALDERMAN MITCHELL, COUNCILMEN SAYERS and DiBERNARDO.

ENGROSSED BILLS:

ALDERMAN PARK, COUNCILMEN GLEASON and SANDERSON.

PUBLIC LIBRARY:

ALDERMAN PARK, COUNCILMEN KIRK and PUTNEY.

WELFARE:

MAYOR HOLBROOK, ALDERMAN EMERY, and COUNCILMEN ALLEN L. MARTIN.

ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES

BILLS ON SECOND READING:

ALDERMEN EMERY, CODDING and MITCHELL.

LICENSES:

ALDERMEN MITCHELL, PARK and EMERY.

CLAIMS:

FULL BOARD

COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

ELECTION AND RETURNS:

COUNCILMEN AMADON, SANDERSON and ALLEN L. MARTIN.

BILLS ON SECOND READING:

COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, SHEA and MORSE.

REVISION OF RULES:

COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, MARTIN and SAYERS.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

LADIES PARK:

Mayor Holbrook, Mrs. Edith K. Watson and Alderman Park.

LICENSING BOARD:

Mayor Holbrook, Joseph L. Regan, Edward C. Sullivan.

CITY HALL:

Mayor Holbrook, Councilman Cook and City Messenger W. B. Stickels.

PLANNING BOARD:

Mayor Richard L. Holbrook, Robert T. Kingsbury, Park Commissioner, and Councilman L. Roland Taylor.

Ellis Robertson, Chairman, term expires 1947; Percy A. Hudson, Clerk, term expires 1946; Carl D. Roche, term expires 1944; term expires 1945; William C. Chapman, term expires 1948; term expires 1949.

ZONING—BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

Philip H. Faulkner, Chairman, term expires 1946; Holland S. Wheeler, clerk, term expires 1947; Howard W. Kirk, term expires 1944; Theodore H. Bergeron, term expires 1945; Clifford E. Emery, term expires 1948.

MUNICIPAL AIRPORT:

Alderman Emery, Councilmen Putney and Shea.

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS:

John L. Saunders, term expires 1944; Harry A. Page, term expires 1945; Harold I. Chandler, term expires 1946.

ASSESSORS:

Byron B. Britton, term expires 1944; Paul B. Hayward, term expires 1945; Ralph E. Proctor, term expires 1946.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

Frank J. Foley, term expires 1944; Ernest L. Bell, Jr., term expires 1945; Walter F. Taylor, M. D., term expires 1946.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING:

John H. Simpson, Arthur L. Russell*, and William V. Toomey.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS:

Rupert E. Robinson, term expires 1945; William E. Hetherman, term expires 1947; Arthur B. Nims, term expires 1949.

TRUSTEES THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Permanent Trustees: Robert T. Kingsbury, John J. Colony, Lucy J. Dickinson, Elizabeth F. Lacey, Winfield M. Chaplin. *Elected by City Councils:* Philip H. Faulkner, term expires 1944; Elizabeth S. Pressler, term expires 1944; Julia F. Chapman, term expires 1945; Kate L. Tilden, term expires 1945; Ruth P. Huntress, term expires 1946; Dorothy D. Robertson, term expires 1946.

*Deceased.

CITY OFFICERS

Acting City Comptroller

CHARLES F. SUMNER

City Treasurer HARRY A. PAGE

Assistant City Treasurer

CLARE E. CONANT

Tax Collector CLEON A. NIMS

City Clerk LENA F. WARREN

City Messenger

WILLIAM B. STICKELS

Deputy Tax Collector

RONALD A. SEAVER

Deputy Tax Collector

MRS. LAURA V. BLACK

Health Officer EVAN C. WHITE

City Physician WALTER F. TAYLOR

Overseer of Poor PAUL B. HAYWARD

City Solicitor EDWARD C. SULLIVAN

City Engineer & Building

Inspector RALPH H. CLARK

Superintendents of:

Cemeteries ELMER S. BRITTON

Public Works

GEORGE E. HAWKINS

Park Commissioner

ROBERT T. KINGSBURY

Plumbing Inspector

JOHN H. SIMPSON

Inspector Weights and Measures

WALTER L. GREENE

Municipal Court:

Justice CHARLES A. MADDEN

Clerk DON J. WILLIAMS

Probation Officer HAROLD F. DREW

Constable JOSEPH L. REGAN

DEPARTMENTAL PERSONNEL

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Engineer: Eugene B. Riley,
Assistant Engineers: Thomas B.
Wallbank, Elwin H. Applin; *As-*
sociated Engineer, John H. Simp-

Chauffeurs: Lyman O. Cass,
Frank M. Reid, Samuel J. Guy-
ette, Charles M. Ballou, Elton
P. Britton, Walter R. Messer,
Harry F. Hammond, Paul E. Gal-

Steamer Hose Company: Harry
W. Mason, Captain; Ralph H.
Turner, Earl W. Little, Lieuten-
ants; Albert I. Little, Clerk;
Maurice E. Blood, Frederick S.
Bingham, Ralph H. Bissell, Ber-
trand G. Harvey, Allison S. Hob-
son, Carl W. Johnson, Jesse O.
Little, Ronald W. Safford, Ford-
yce J. Thomas, Norman O. Trask.

Deluge Hose Company: Lewis H.
Dean, Captain; Arthur D. Irwin,
Stephen W. Pollock, Lieutenants;
Philip A. Barrett, Clerk; Ralph
M. Conant, Clarence F. Caldwell,
Elmer R. Damon, Clarence S.
Dean, George E. Fish, Robert H.
Henry, Jeremiah J. Keating, Ru-
dolph L. Piche, George H. Shep-
ard, Gardner H. Seaver.

Hook and Ladder Company: Ed-
ward L. Reason, Captain; Samuel
V. Thompson, Francis J. Driscoll,
Lieutenants; Clair H. Symonds,
Clerk; Edmund J. Auger, John H.
O'Neil, Jr., Melvin I. Pishon,
Laurence M. Pickett, Rupert A.
Reason, Cleon E. Symonds,
George C. Symonds, Earl A.
Smith, Fred W. Sharkey, Francis
E. Winn.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Joseph L. Regan Chief of Police; Michael F. Griffin, Paul J. Fontaine, William T. Bridgham, Sergeants; Fred J. Bergeron, Daniel D. Henderson, Arthur E. O'Neil, Harold E. Savage, Michael R. Vitale, Ronald M. Seaver, Patrolmen; Arlene S. Worcester, Clerk.

LIBRARY:

Mary L. Saxton, Librarian; Bessie M. McGregor, Bernece W. Colby, Helen Newton, Assistant Librarians; Gertrude B. Stearns*, Children's Librarian; Carolyn B. Turner, Page; Clifford W. Farrar, Janitor.

GAUGER:

Edward H. Newell.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER:

James F. Cady, Alfred Kendall, Melvin H. Haselton, Henry S. Hoisington, Edward J. P. Olmstead, Walter G. Perry, Silas M. Spring, Samuel V. Thompson, Ruel B. Travis, Lewis T. Travis, Harry H. Spaulding, Victor Wayne Newell, George E. Newman, Jr., Max A. Thomas.

WEIGHERS:

Homer A. Cote, Martin F. Crosby Eugene Desruisseau, Joseph L. Hope, George T. Hope, Norbert J. Klaiber, Edward H. Newell, John H. Rule, Horace W. Sawyer, Frank W. Streeter, Richard W. Wood.

FENCE VIEWERS:

Ralph H. Clark, Ralph E. Proctor.

*Resigned.

ELECTION OFFICERS

WARD MODERATORS, 1943-44:

Ward 1 CHANDLER B. McALLISTER*
Ward 2 KENNETH P. COLBY
Ward 3 FRED E. LANE
Ward 4 HARRY PEEL*
Ward 5 ELLEN F. DUFFY

WARD CLERKS:

Ward 1 CHARLES K. WHITCOMB
Ward 2 HOLLAND S. WHEELER
Ward 3 JESSIE H. COOGAN
Ward 4 RICHARD T. CALEF*
Ward 5 M. CATHERINE MACKNIGHT

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LISTS:

Ward 1 PAUL H. JOY
Ward 2 KIRKE W. WHEELER
Ward 3 HENRY L. BARRETT†
Ward 4 CHARLES A. KINGSBURY
Ward 5 THOMAS F. GUINANE‡

SELECTMEN 1944-45:

Ward 1 John H. Whitcomb, Jesse O. Little, Percy A. Hudson.
Ward 2 Guy F. Fairfield, Robert G. Calef, William C. Chapman.
Ward 3 Harry E. Gale, Wallace E. Mason†, Franklin H. Ingalls.
Ward 4 Frank E. Chase, Lewis H. Dean, Robert A. Smith.
Ward 5 Edmund Auger, Alphe J. Parenteau, Thomas H. Kepple.

*Resigned. †Deceased. ‡Place of Frank V. Sylvester. §Place of Thomas F. Guinane.

BALLOT INSPECTORS

October 1942 to October 1944.

*Appointed by Board of Mayor and
Aldermen.*

Ward 1 Alice D. Matthews (R),
Ruth S. Bergeron (R), Margaret
T. Webster (D), Estelle A. Winn
(D).

Ward 2 Theodore P. Barton (R),
Bertram G. Powers (R)†, Maurice
G. Waling (D), John H. Dennis
(D).

Ward 3 Warren Delano (R),
Elizabeth W. Wilcox (R), Arthur
W. Cummings (D), William T.
Winn†.

Ward 4 Louis A. Piper (R)†,
Mary E. Wyman (R), Helen A.
Stanton (D), Edward C. Sullivan
(D).

Ward 5 Roger W. Goodnow (R),
Norman O. Trask (R), Lois Da-
vis (D), Edith M. Flynn (D).

†Deceased.

Keene City Hall



CITY CLERK

LENA F. WARRENCity Clerk
(Elected January 4, 1944)
1944 Expenditures.....\$2,674.76

Newly elected members of the City Government for the municipal years 1944 and 1945 met on January 4, 1944 in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter. Richard L. Holbrook having been notified of his election to the office of Mayor for the term of two years was present and the oath of office was administered to His Honor by City Solicitor Edward C. Sullivan. The oath of office was administered by the Mayor to the newly elected Aldermen and Councilmen for the next two years ensuing. Arthur B. Nims was sworn into office by the Mayor as Police Commissioner for a term of six years. Reverend A. Nor-

man Janes was invited by the Mayor to offer prayer after which the Mayor read his Inaugural address. Mrs. Lena F. Warren was elected City Clerk, the first woman to be elected to this office in the history of Keene. William B. Stickels was elected City Messenger. Transcription of the ceremonies was made by Radio Station WKNE.

Members of the City Government met on January 6 in Joint Convention for the election of City Officers for the year 1944. A Resolution was passed relative to regular meetings being held on the first Thursday of each month which was a departure of a practice of long standing when two meetings were held each month. There were eleven regular meetings of the City Councils during 1944 and four special meetings. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen held six special meetings during the year. Sixty-two Resolutions and five Ordinances were passed.

Frederick D. Mitchell, Alderman of Ward Three was elected by the Board of Aldermen on three occasions to serve as Acting Mayor while His Honor Mayor Richard L. Holbrook was absent from the City.

On Sunday Evening, May 21, 1944, the Mayor and members of the City Councils were invited by Radio Station WKNE to participate in a program sponsored by The New England Screw Company at which time the Inaugural ceremonies which took place on January 4, 1944 in City Hall were recorded over the air and the members participated in a program of a City Government

Lena F. Warren



meeting in Joint Convention as would take place in their Common Council room. It was a memorable occasion for all who took part.

VITAL STATISTICS

During 1944 the City Clerk recorded 463 Births, 152 Marriages and 206 Deaths, a decrease in the number of Vital Statistics recorded during the year 1943. A total of \$205.25 was paid to Physicians, Clergymen and Justices of the Peace for making returns of records to the office of City Clerk as required by law. There were 1047 requests for certified copies of vital statistics during 1944.

A total of \$11,466.67 was received by the City Clerk during 1944. Included in this amount was \$6,225.00 received for Cemetery Trust Funds and turned over to Trustees of Trust Funds, also \$1,406.01 for recording of mortgages, conditional sales, and discharges, certified copies of vital statistics and marriage licenses, \$15.75 for sale of City Maps and Histories of Keene, \$2,606.41 for Dog licenses and \$34.00 for fees for filing for declarations of candidacy required to be filed with City Clerk. The balance of \$1,179.50 was for Business Licenses, including taxi, theatre, bowling alley, pool table, carnival licenses and itinerant photographing.

ELECTIONS

A Presidential primary was held on March 14, 1944 for Republican and Democratic delegates to the National Convention. A special election was held in Ward Five for an Alderman to fill the unexpired term of J. Gerald McCarthy elected November 2, 1943, who resigned to enter the armed forces.

A State Biennial Primary was held on July 11 for State, County and City nominations.

A Biennial Election was held on November 7, 1944. By an Act of Congress a law became effective on March 20, 1944 allowing members of the armed forces to vote by absentee ballot recommending that all States waive registration of all men and women in the military service who by reason of such services had been deprived of an opportunity to register. In addition to the official State War Ballot being used, a Federal War Ballot was permitted when a State War Ballot had been requested and not received. It was also the first Biennial election that a Voter absent from the City on the day of election or by reason of physical disability could vote by an official state absentee ballot. There were 7,564 names on the Check lists. A total of 6,307 ballots cast. Of this total there were 5,784 regular ballots, 26 Federal War, 298 State War and 199 State Absentee.

Election expenses for the year were \$2,982.24 which included printing of check lists, rental of voting places, salaries of election officers and salaries of supervisors of check lists, rental of furniture and electricity.

Amount paid out from City Treasury for Bounty on Hedgehogs during the year 1944, \$110.00, the City of Keene being reimbursed by State Treasurer to that amount in accordance with Chapter 180, Section 5, Revised Laws of New Hampshire, 1942.

Respectfully submitted,

LENA F. WARREN,
City Clerk.

ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Keene:

The Board of Assessors of the City of Keene respectfully submit the following report as provided by the terms of the ordinance under which said board was created.

Total appraised valuation for the year 1944:

Land and Buildings	\$14,725,244.00
Mills and Machinery	2,015,419.00
Electric Plants	643,034.00
Stock in Trade	2,352,218.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	53,580.00
Live stock	83,358.00

Total Appraised Valuation.....		\$19,872,853.00
Soldiers' Exemptions	\$109,020.00	
Exemptions to Blind	1,000.00	110,020.00

Total Taxable Valuation	\$19,762,833.00
Tax Rate \$2.64	
Taxes on Real Estate and Personal	521,982.00
Taxes from 7,188 Polls—Regular	14,376.00
Taxes from 7,587 Polls—Special	22,761.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	4,981.77

Amount to be Collected by Tax Collector for the year 1944	\$564,100.77
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TAX ABATEMENTS ALLOWED DURING 1944

<i>Levy</i>	<i>Property</i>	<i>Polls</i>	<i>*Bonus</i>	<i>Liens</i>	<i>Total</i>
1944	\$496.32	\$336.00	\$474.00		\$1,306.32
1943	30.97	420.00			450.97
1942	153.09	69.00			222.09
1941	119.92	4.00		\$25.81	149.73
1940	1.77	2.00			3.77
1939	2.77	8.00			10.77
1938		8.00			8.00
1937	20.93			10.41	31.34
1936	52.19	4.00		29.63	85.82
1935	14.15	2.00		48.11	64.26
1934		8.00		45.22	53.22
1933	13.16	9.00		46.92	69.08
1932	50.64	8.00		50.80	109.44
1931		12.00			12.00
1930		8.00			8.00
1929		4.00			4.00
1928		4.00			4.00
1944	\$955.91	\$906.00	\$474.00	\$256.90	\$2,592.81

*Special Poll Tax

RALPH E. PROCTOR,
 BYRON B. BRITTON,
 PAUL B. HAYWARD.
Board of Assessors.

TAX COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

I herewith submit my report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1944.

SUMMARY OF WARRANT LEVY OF 1944

DR.

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$521,982.00
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2.00	14,376.00
Poll Taxes—Special @ \$3.00	22,761.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	4,981.77

Total Warrant \$564,100.77

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	246.26
Poll Taxes—Regular \$2.00	438.00
Poll Taxes—Special @ \$3.00	693.00

Interest Collected 341.01

TOTAL DEBITS \$565,819.04

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$491,157.52
Interest Collected	341.01
National Bank Stock Taxes	4,981.77
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2.00	12,140.60
Poll Taxes—Special @ \$3.00	19,315.10

Abatements 1,306.32

To Deeded Properties 30.75

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	30,543.67
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2.00	2,337.40
Poll Taxes—Special @ \$3.00	3,664.90

TOTAL CREDITS \$565,819.04

LEVY OF 1943

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944 \$40,936.93

Added Taxes 354.00

Auditor's Adjustment 76.70

Interest Collected 1,766.05

TOTAL DEBITS \$43,133.68

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$37,230.56
Poll Taxes	2,970.50
Interest Collected	1,766.05

\$41,967.11

Abatements made during year 450.97

To Deeded Properties 2.18

Auditor's Adjustment 4.28

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List 709.14

TOTAL CREDITS \$43,133.68

LEVY OF 1942

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$1,635.89
Added Taxes	32.00
Auditor's Adjustment	2.07
Interest Collected	35.67

TOTAL DEBITS \$1,705.63

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$20.16
Poll Taxes	198.50
Interest Collected	35.67

\$254.33

Abatements made during year	222.09
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List	1,229.21

TOTAL CREDITS \$1,705.63

LEVY OF 1941

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$2,033.42
Added Taxes	6.00
Interest Collected	44.43

TOTAL DEBITS \$2,083.85

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$195.70
Poll Taxes	167.60
Interest Collected	44.43

\$407.73

Abatements made during year	123.92
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List	1,552.20

TOTAL CREDITS \$2,083.85

LEVY OF 1940

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$1,410.74
Added Taxes	4.00
Interest Collected	48.30

TOTAL DEBITS \$1,463.04

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$17.36
Poll Taxes	143.70
Interest Collected	48.30

\$209.36

Abatements made during year	3.77
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	1,249.91

TOTAL CREDITS \$1,463.04

LEVY OF 1939

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$1,337.39
Added Taxes	6.00
Interest Collected	54.00

TOTAL DEBITS \$1,397.39

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Poll Taxes	\$126.00
Interest Collected	54.00
	<u>\$180.00</u>

Abatements made during year	10.77
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	1,206.62

TOTAL CREDITS \$1,397.39

LEVY OF 1938

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$1,680.79
Added Taxes	8.00
Interest Collected	80.80

TOTAL DEBITS \$1,777.59

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$8.09
Poll Taxes	165.20
Interest Collected	88.80
	<u>\$262.09</u>

Abatements made during year	8.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	1,507.50

TOTAL CREDITS \$1,777.59

LEVY OF 1937

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$2,369.92
Interest Collected	81.20

TOTAL DEBITS \$2,451.12

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$4.19
Poll Taxes	128.40
Interest Collected	81.20
	<u>\$213.79</u>

Abatements made during year	20.93
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	2,216.40

TOTAL CREDITS \$2,451.12

LEVY OF 1936

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$2,070.90	
Interest Collected	95.50	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$2,366.40

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$18.58	
Poll Taxes	125.70	
Interest Collected	95.50	
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		\$239.78
Abatements made during year		56.19
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list		2,070.43
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TOTAL CREDITS		<u>\$2,366.40</u>

LEVY OF 1935

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$2,919.83	
Added Taxes	2.00	
Interest Collected	125.40	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$3,047.23

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$3.68	
Poll Taxes	147.40	
Interest Collected	125.40	
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		\$276.48
Abatements made during year		16.15
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list		2,754.60
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TOTAL CREDITS		<u>\$3,047.23</u>

LEVY OF 1934

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$3,457.40	
Added Taxes	4.00	
Interest Collected	125.25	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$3,586.65

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$128.93	
Poll Taxes	139.90	
Interest Collected	125.25	
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		\$394.08
Abatements made during year		8.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list		3,184.57
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TOTAL CREDITS		<u>\$3,586.65</u>

LEVY OF 1933

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$369.00
Added Taxes (Poll)	134.80
Interest Collected	128.00

TOTAL DEBITS	\$631.80
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$21.86
Poll Taxes	125.80
Interest Collected	128.00
	<u>\$275.66</u>

Abatements made during year	22.16
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	333.98

TOTAL CREDITS	\$631.80
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LEVY OF 1932

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$464.66
Added Taxes (Poll)	155.80
Interest Collected	160.40

TOTAL DEBITS	\$780.86
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$58.30
Poll Taxes	147.80
Interest Collected	160.40
	<u>\$366.50</u>

Abatements made during year	58.64
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	355.72

TOTAL CREDITS	\$780.86
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LEVY OF 1931

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$255.78
Added Taxes (Poll)	117.90
Interest Collected	128.10

TOTAL DEBITS	\$501.78
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Poll Taxes	\$105.90
Interest Collected	128.10
	<u>\$234.00</u>

Abatements made during year	12.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	255.78

TOTAL CREDITS	\$501.78
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LEVY OF 1930

DR.

Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1944	\$86.80
Added Taxes (Poll)	86.00
Interest Collected	107.00

TOTAL DEBITS	\$279.80
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$70.00
Poll Taxes	78.00
Interest Collected	107.00
	<u>\$255.00</u>

Abatements made during year	8.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	16.80

TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$279.80</u>
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LEVY OF 1929

DR.

Added Taxes (Poll)	\$74.95
Interest Collected	97.35

TOTAL DEBITS	\$172.30
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Poll Taxes	\$70.95
Interest Collected	97.35
	<u>\$168.30</u>

Abatements made during year	4.00
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TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$172.30</u>
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LEVY OF 1928

DR.

Added Taxes (Poll)	\$41.50
Interest Collected	57.20

TOTAL DEBITS	\$98.70
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Poll Taxes	\$37.50
Interest Collected	57.20
	<u>\$94.70</u>

Abatements made during year	4.00
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TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$98.70</u>
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1944

DR.

Tax Sale on account of Levy of:

	1943	1942	1941	1940	Previous years
Taxes Sold to City..	\$2,291.28	\$2,185.77	\$929.77	\$17.03	\$315.57
Interests & Costs	7.74	127.87	207.30		358.39
(Collected after Sale)					

TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,299.02	\$2,313.64	\$1,137.07	\$17.03	\$673.96
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:	\$397.18	\$1,699.35	\$1,076.08		\$388.02
Deeded to City during year	40.98	40.73	31.20	\$7.78	10.00
Abatements—during year..			25.81		231.09
Auditor's Adjustment		6.62			
Unredeemed Taxes—at					
close of year	1,860.86	566.94	3.98	9.25	44.85

TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,299.02	\$2,313.64	\$1,137.07	\$17.03	\$673.96
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SUMMARY OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1944

<i>Levy:</i>	<i>Property Taxes</i>	<i>Poll Taxes</i>	<i>Soldiers' Bonus</i>	<i>Tax Liens</i>	<i>Total</i>
1944	\$30,543.67	\$2,337.40	\$3,664.90		\$36,545.97
1943	32.64	676.50		\$1,860.86	2,570.00
1942	530.71	698.50		566.94	1,796.15
1941	96.40	1,455.80		3.98	1,556.18
1940	3.26	1,246.65		9.25	1,259.16
1939	6.93	1,199.69			1,206.62
1938		1,507.50			1,507.50
1937	271.35	1,945.05			2,216.40
1936	347.08	1,723.35			2,070.43
1935	383.90	2,370.70			2,754.60
1934	346.22	2,838.35			3,184.57
1933	333.98			44.85	378.83
1932	355.72				355.72
1931	255.78				255.78
1930	16.80				16.80
	\$33,524.44	\$17,999.49	\$3,664.90	\$2,485.88	\$57,674.71

SUMMARY OF COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

Levy:	Property Taxes	Poll Taxes	Soldiers' Bonus	Tax Liens	Interest & Costs	Total
1944	\$496,139.29	\$12,140.60	\$19,315.10		\$341.01	\$527,936.00
1943	37,230.56	2,970.50		\$389.44	1,773.79	42,364.29
1942	20.16	198.50		1,571.48	163.54	1,953.68
1941	195.70	167.60		868.78	251.73	1,483.81
1940	17.36	143.70			48.30	209.36
1939		126.00			54.00	180.00
1938	8.09	165.20			232.63	405.92
1937	4.19	128.40		14.39	289.63	436.61
1936	18.58	125.70			95.50	239.78
1935	3.68	147.40			125.40	276.48
1934	128.93	139.90			125.25	394.08
1933	21.86	125.80			128.00	275.66
1932	58.30	147.80		15.24	166.53	387.87
1931		105.90			128.10	234.00
1930	70.00	78.00			107.00	255.00
1929		70.95			97.35	168.30
1928		37.50			57.20	94.70

\$533,916.70 \$17,019.45 \$19,315.10 \$2,859.33 \$4,184.96 \$577,297.54

PROPERTY TAXES (See summary)	\$533,916.70
POLL TAXES (See summary)	17,019.45
SOLDIERS' BONUS (see summary)	19,315.10
TAX LIENS (See Summary)	2,859.33
INTEREST & COSTS (See summary)	4,184.96
AUTO PERMITS	9,471.58
WATER ASSESSMENTS	60,961.23
CEMETERY COLLECTIONS	5,642.90
CITY CLERK COLLECTIONS	11,466.67
CITY MESSENGER (Rent, City Hall)	365.45
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (Rent)	650.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,210.47
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	9,489.24
PUBLIC LIBRARY	444.90
POLICE DEPARTMENT	634.95
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	113.20
WELFARE DEPARTMENT	946.61
MUNICIPAL COURT	4,043.57
CITY ENGINEER	11.05
CITY TREASURER	33,630.01
MISCELLANEOUS	1,923.39
PARK DEPARTMENT	510.00

RECEIPTS FROM TAX DEEDED PROPERTIES:

SALES	\$300.00
DEPOSITS	60.00
	<hr/> 360.00

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED AND DEPOSITED..... \$719,170.76

Respectfully submitted,

CLEON A. NIMS, Tax Collector

PUBLIC LIBRARY

To His Honor the Mayor and the City Councils:

The Trustees of the Keene Public Library submit the following report for the year 1944.

At the beginning of the year, there were two vacancies on the board. Mrs. Ellis Robertson was elected by the City Councils and Mr. John P. Wright by the Thayer Trustees.

There have been several changes in the library staff. Mrs. Kenneth P. Colby was appointed children's librarian when Mrs. Frederick C. Stearns resigned July 1. For the summer months, Mrs. Lena C. Bishop served as substitute, and Miss Flora E. Applin assisted during the vacation period. Miss Helen Newton joined the staff late in August.

The administration committee has been faced with considerable difficulty in accomplishing needed repairs. Cleaning and painting of the stack room, long overdue, was completed in the fall. Other major repairs are in prospect, and will be started when the materials and workmen are available.

The librarians have arranged many interesting and instructive displays, have continued the extension work of the library, and have carried on the program of special activities in the junior department. Under present handicaps, this has required much added effort on the part of each member of the staff. The Trustees express their appreciation to Miss Saxton and the assistants for their cooperation and for the splendid spirit with which they have met the problems confronting them.

A detailed account of the work

and activities is given in the librarians' report.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH P. HUNTRESS,

Secretary.

To the Trustees of the Keene Public Library:

The 71st annual report of the library shows, as a part of the year's work, a circulation of 70,222 volumes to the 4,490 borrowers registered since September 1942, a per capita circulation to these men, women and children of 17+ and to the population of the city of 5+.

The book collection now numbers 36,265 volumes, an increase of 670 after deduction has been made of worn out and discarded books.

The number of people who have used the Reading and Reference rooms is 13,444. The Library Hall and Clubroom have been used by 15 organizations for 57 meetings with an attendance of 582. The Junior Department has used the Hall for 16 story hours at which there have been 692 children present, an average of 44.

Changes in the Staff include the loss, to the teaching profession, of Mrs. Frederick Stearns who had been children's librarian for ten years; the transfer of Mrs. Kenneth Colby from the position of general assistant to the Junior Department; the addition of a new assistant, Miss Helen Newton from the School of Library Science of Vermont Junior College, Montpelier, and the return of Mrs. Channing Bishop, as supply, during the summer. Losses in the Staff personnel always bring regrets and readjustments, but the best of good wishes attend those who go on to other fields of accomplishment.

The outstanding events of Book Week this year were interesting displays of new and well-loved books in attractive arrangements, story hours for the younger children, and a talk by Arch Whitehouse, a flying correspondent, to the Junior High School pupils, given at Parker Hall through the courtesy of the Keene Teachers College.

The circulation of books at the deposit stations at schools, churches, Hospital and Farm Bureau, has exceeded former levels, and fully warrants the continuation of these activities.

Several exhibits of articles from China, North Africa and Greece, dolls and toys of early American manufacture, and photographs of paintings made by artists in the armed services, were kindly loaned by Mrs. Lewis Carpenter, Miss Virginia Rose Wilde, Mrs. R. G. Mason and Miss Helena Putnam and have aroused appreciative comment from many visitors and the library has received offers of unusual collections for the coming year.

The old objective of a library to provide "the best reading for the largest number at the least cost" is

LIBRARY CASH ACCOUNT FOR 1944

Cash received Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1944.....	\$502.28	
Deposits Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1944.....		\$394.00
Expenses Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1944.....		103.28
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		\$497.28
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1945.....		5.00
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		\$502.28

STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 1944

Population served	13,832
Term of use Free	
No. of days open during year.....	303
No. of hours each week	72
No. of volumes at beginning of year	35,595
Number of volumes added	994
Number of volumes withdrawn and missing.....	324
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	670
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No. of volumes at end of year.....	36,265
No. of borrowers new and re-registered.....	809
Since Sept. 1942	4490
No. of people using reading and reference rooms.....	13,444
No. of volumes of non-fiction left for home use.....	20,174
No. of volumes of fiction lent for home use.....	50,048
Total number circulated	70,222
Library Hall and Club room used by 15 organizations for 57 meetings with an attendance of	582

	Adults	1944 Juv.	Total
No. of volumes beginning of year.....	31,384	4,211	35,595
No. of volumes added during year	459	211	
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	31,843	4,422	

only a part of the attainment a library might reach. In the enlarged educational plans for years to come, it is hoped a library may have a greater part in the life and leadership of the community and prove its indispensability to every undertaking and thus a larger proportion of the population realize and utilize its resources.

As librarian and Trustees, we may be disappointed that certain improvements could not have been

accomplished this year, but we shall close 1944 with these in mind to be completed whenever possible.

The Keene Evening Sentinel has been generous in giving space to all special library events and gratitude is extended to the management and to Trustees and Staff for suggestions and faithful work.

Respectfully submitted,
MARY LUCINA SAXTON,
Librarian.

MUNICIPAL COURT

	1944	1943
Number of cases.....	752	634
Juvenile cases	71	70

Thus far this year, during the month of January there have been 13 juvenile cases.

The peak year for criminal cases was during the year 1939 when there were 1,251 cases. During 1939 there were but 28 juvenile cases.

During the past 30 years there has been a gradual increase in the number of Criminal cases, as in 1915 there were 228 cases and in 1916 there were 320 cases.

The peak year of 1939 was during the time when there were many wood choppers and loggers in this area cutting hurricane timber.

DON J. WILLIAMS,
Clerk.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Richard Holbrook, Mayor, the Board of Aldermen, and Gentlemen of the Common Council, of Keene, New Hampshire:

Expenditures	\$29,176.38
Fines and assessments	\$3,412.21
Complaints received—all natures	1,917
Investigations for other departments	46
Complaints referred to other departments for investigation.....	102
Tours of special duty—all officers	4,286
Summons served locally for other departments.....	1
Emergency messages delivered	89
Lost property recovered—returned to owners—value	\$928.00
Stolen property recovered—value	\$2,317.00
Operators stopped, warned, and booked—Vio. M. V. Law.....	174
Tags issued for violation of parking law.....	421
Repair tags issued for defective lighting equipment.....	80
Operators checked for license, occupants of cars, etc.....	309

Accidents investigated:

Property damage	32
Personal injury	37

Total 69

Accidental deaths investigated 15

Missing persons located 8

Prisoners accepted for safekeeping—state police 85

Prisoners accepted for safekeeping—sheriff's office 54

Prisoners accepted for safekeeping—all other agencies 78

Doors and windows—business places—found open—secured..... 3,583

Lights left on in business places..... 1,151

Nite lights out—business places—premises checked..... 251

Street lights found out—reported..... 291

Vacant residences inspected—number of inspections..... 3,591

Persons accepted for night lodging 141

Miles traveled by Cruiser No. 1 32,576

Miles traveled by Cruiser No. 2 16,447

Cases pending 15

Cash receipts:

Bicycle registrations	\$23.00
Pistol permits	40.50
Board of prisoners	289.00
Telephone tolls27
Junk licenses	95.00
Miscellaneous	136.53
Total	\$584.30

CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON

	Number	Male	Female	To H. of C.	Other institution	Fines or costs	To Grand Jury	To other agencies	Pending	Other Disposition*
Assault and Battery	21	20	1	1	0	12	0	0	0	8
Assault on officer	11	11	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	2
Aggravated Assault	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	34	32	2	4	0	20	0	0	0	10

*Other disp.—Filed—Susp. Sent.—Probation—Cont. for sent.—Leave town—Nolled
—Released for lack of prosecution.

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

Larceny	22	15	7	1	0	7	2	0	1	11
Larceny of auto	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Embezzlement	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
B. E. and L.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Receiving Stolen Property.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	26	19	7	1	0	8	5	0	1	11

CRIMES AGAINST CHASTITY, MORALITY, AND GOOD ORDER

	Number	Male	Female	To H. of C.	Other institution	Fines or costs	To Grand Jury	To other agencies	Pending	Other Disposition*
Abandonment	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Accosting	4	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1
Adultery	15	7	8	0	0	0	13	0	0	2
Bastardy	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Begging	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brawl and Tumult	8	7	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	5
Carrying loaded rifle in car.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Carnal Abuse	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Contempt of Court	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Contributing to Delinquency of Minor	5	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2
Disorderly House	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Disturbing the Peace.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Drunk	307	291	16	17	0	231	0	0	10	49
Escaped Patient	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Failing to send child to school.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fornication	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idle and Disorderly	10	9	1	1	0	6	0	0	1	2
Indecent Exposure.....	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Insane	15	8	7	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Lewdness	8	5	3	2	1	1	0	0	1	3
Mittimus	7	6	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	0
Neglect of children.....	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Non-support	7	7	0	0	0	4	0	1	1	1
Possessing revolver	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Suspicious Person	19	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Unnatural Act	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Vagrancy	8	8	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	3
Vio. Child Labor Laws	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Vio. Compensation Act.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	440	389	51	34	18	258	17	1	15	97

VIOLATIONS OF MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS

Minor M. V. Vios.....	104	98	6	0	0	85	0	0	6	13
Opr. under Influence.....	17	16	1	0	0	15	0	0	0	2
Reckless Driving	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Lv. scene of Accident.....	3	3	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Opr. after Rev. Lic.....	4	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Total	132	125	7	0	0	106	1	0	7	18

CRIMES AGAINST THE PUBLIC POLICY

Fugitive from justice	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1
Illegal sale liquor.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Possession Gaming Machines	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	7	7	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	1

CRIMES AGAINST THE UNITED STATES

Deserter—U. S. Armed Forces.....	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0
Larceny from U. S. Mail.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0

RECAPITULATION

Arrests	649
Males	582
Females	67
To House of Correction	39
To other institutions	18
Fines or costs	393
To Grand Jury	24
To other agencies	15
Pending	23
Other dispositions*	137

DELINQUENT CHILDREN

Offense	Total	7 thru 10	11 thru 14	15 thru 17	Resident of Keene	Non-resident	No Court Action	To Industrial School	To other institution	To Welfare Dept.	Fines or costs	Probation and/or Suspended Sentence	Other disposition
Accosting	2	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
B. E. and L.	6	1	1	4	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Forgery	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fornication	3	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Larceny	27	2	10	15	22	5	11	1	0	0	4	6	5
Larceny of auto—Taking w/o Auth.	3	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Malicious Destruction	7	2	3	2	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Motor Vehicle Vios.	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Neglected child	3	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Runaway	10	0	3	7	4	6	9	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sounding false alarm	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Statutory Rape	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Suspicion	4	0	0	4	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Truant	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Violation of parole	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Violation of probational	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Wayward child	3	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Total	79	7	23	49	58	21	32	2	1	2	4	6	32

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Locations	Number	P. I. and P. D.*	P. D. Only	Fatal
Central Square	2	0	2	0
Congress Street	1	1	0	0
Court	4	2	2	0
Hurricane Road	1	0	1	0
Island Street	2	1	1	0
Madison	1	0	1	0
Main	16	7	9	0

Locations	Number	P. I. and P. D.	P. D. Only	Fatal
Marlboro	2	1	1	0
Newman	1	1	0	0
North Lincoln	1	0	1	0
Park Avenue	8	4	4	0
Pearl Street	1	1	0	0
Railroad	1	1	0	0
Ralston	1	1	0	0
Route 9	3	3	0	0
Route 10	3	2	1	0
Route 12	2	0	2	0
Route 12-A	1	1	0	0
Roxbury Street	2	0	2	0
Summit Road	1	0	1	0
Union Street	1	0	1	0
Washington Street	4	3	1	0
Washington Avenue	1	0	1	0
Water Street	2	1	1	0
West	9	5	4	0
Winchester	5	2	3	0
Not given	1	0	1	0
Total	77	37	40	0

(*P. I.—Personal Injury)
(P. D.—Property Damage)

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Causes

Avoiding on-coming car.....	3	1	2	0
Child playing in street.....	1	1	0	0
Cutting in	1	0	1	0
Glaring Headlights	1	0	1	0
Icy roads	16	5	11	0
Inadequate Railroad Crossing Signals.....	1	1	0	0
Inattention cyclist	4	4	0	0
Inattention operator	23	7	16	0
Inattention pedestrian	5	5	0	0
Mechanical defect	8	6	2	0
Not given	4	0	4	0
Obstruction in highway.....	1	0	1	0
Operator asleep	1	0	1	0
Operator—physical defect	1	0	1	0
Operator under influence.....	2	2	0	0
Passing on wrong side	1	1	0	0
Pedestrian—physical defect	1	1	0	0
Reckless driving	1	1	0	0
Speeding	2	2	0	0
Totals	77	37	40	0

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Clear	54	26	28	0
Cloudy	9	5	4	0
Fog	0	0	0	0
Raining	8	2	6	0
Snowing	5	3	2	0
Mist	1	1	0	0
Total	77	37	40	0

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Light Conditions	Number	P. I. and P. D.		Total
		P. I.	P. D. Only	
Daylight	54	25	29	0
Dusk	6	3	3	0
Dark—Street light good	14	7	7	0
Dark—Street light poor	1	1	0	0
Dark—No street lights	2	1	1	0
Total	77	37	40	0

DAY OF OCCURRENCE				
Sunday	4	2	2	0
Monday	7	4	3	0
Tuesday	10	3	7	0
Wednesday	6	4	2	0
Thursday	8	2	6	0
Friday	24	11	13	0
Saturday	18	11	7	0
Total	77	37	40	0

	1942	1943	1944
Total accidents	67	62	77
Deaths	2	0	0
Injuries	34	30	37
Property damage only	31	32	40

JUNIOR POLICE

The breadth of the Police Department's responsibility in early dealing with delinquency is the measure of society's concern for delinquent childhood. In dealing with the problems of children the exercise of police authority must reach out to informal treatment and by no means wait until there has come about an objectionable breach of law.

More and more heed is being given that ancient adage that "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Historically, the idea of prevention, as well as the idea of retribution, is inherent in a system of law enforcement. The inculcation in the individual of sound principles of morality and good citizenship is and always will be our

greatest safeguard against crime and other anti-social conditions. In this field, the principal roles have been and must continue to be played by the Church, the Home, the Schools, and the various social agencies of our Community. In this field, however, the police also may, and, in my opinion, properly should, play its part. The Junior Police Corps is an endeavor to carry out the responsibilities of the Police Department in this direction.

The Junior Police Corps is not an attempt to enlarge or duplicate similar activities of other agencies. There are certain phases of the problem of our youth, for which this organization is particularly adapted. It serves to increase the respect for the Police Department and the spirit of cooperation be-

tween the police and the general public. Another phase of youth development in connection with which the Junior Police organization is peculiarly adapted is the emphasizing of crime and the criminal element, and the placing of law enforcement agencies in a favorable light. Our youth must be educated to view crime as sordid, and inevitably leading to the moral, physical, and economical degredation of the individual criminal.

A thorough knowledge of the background and circumstances of each individual member of the Corps makes possible continuous, and in some cases specific guidance, to those youths in our Community who by their circumstances and background may develop criminal tendencies. *Particularly*, these are the boys that the Junior Police Corps is designed to assist to become useful citizens. Generally, every boy in the community will benefit from the training obtainable in the organization.

Membership in the Corps from January 1, 1944, to December 31, 1944, increased from four hundred twenty-nine to six hundred sixty-nine members. The weekly attendance at all activities averaged three hundred fifty members. In specific activities: skiing meets, attendance per meet, one hundred fifty members; basketball, attendance fifty members; boxing and weight lifting, twenty-five members; baseball, sixty-five members; football, sixty members; hiking, eighty; drill team and candidates, sixty; band, sixty; swimming, forty; First Aid (twenty-five); police patrol and rifle teams, twenty-five; glee club, forty members.

Attendance in some activities was curtailed due to inadequate facili-

ties, and to prevent duplication of similar programs of the newly-formed City Recreational Agency and the School system.

The winter season athletic program included skiing, basketball, boxing, hiking, drill, and calisthenics.

Permission was granted by the Keene Outing Club for the Corps to have the use of the Beech Hill Ski Slope. This site was well patronized by members, with a daily average attendance during favorable weather of one hundred fifty. Several exhibitions of ski-jumping were given by members of the U. S. Army Ski Troops. Inter-club competition was developed and many members in the eight-to ten-year group learned to ski at these meets. Twelve of these members completed the regular course with a jumping record of over fifty feet.

Instructions in skiing were given by Sgt. Roger Duchesneau of the U. S. Army Ski Troops.

Basketball was started as an inter-club sport, with teams from the five wards of the City represented. After continuing under this set-up for a month, a varsity team was picked from the ward teams to meet outside competition. The varsity team played a total of five games—winning four and with one loss. They were invited to play in the Greater Boston Inter-city tournament Championships at Boston, and to be the guests of the Boston Police Department during their stay. This game was played at the West End Community Center at Boston and a victorious Keene team was royally entertained, and received many compliments from the citizens of that city. The Ward League Championship was captured by Ward 1. The individual members of the top teams were

rewarded by receiving a monogram presented at the Junior Police Revue.

Basketball was coached by Roland Vigneault, a high school student; donating his services, he has given a great amount of time and effort in the building of character and physical development in the Corps.

Hiking was enjoyed by practically every member. During the Winter season, an average hike for the senior group (eleven through fourteen years) was seven miles. These excursions were usually supplemented by instruction in woodcraft or police mechanics. Included in the hiking program were several systematic searches made for lost persons. One search program in mid-winter covered an area of more than ten square miles.

During the summer season, hiking continued to be a popular sport in the Corps. Three hikes a month were taken by both the Junior and Senior groups. The average hike for the older boys during the summer months was six and one quarter miles. Included in the itinerary were places of historical and educational interest. These hikes included swimming, fishing, boating, and picnics. The Junior hikers followed the same general plan, with a modified range and activities.

The Drill and Calisthenics groups met regularly weekly. This training is a requisite to all other activities in the organization. Each member in the Corps is given a course in calisthenics designed to promote growth, bearing, and posture. In specific cases where physical examination has revealed minor physical defects, corrective exercises are given to those members.

Military drill forms a part of the

basic training of each new member. It has been found to be of material aid in the teaching of discipline as well as aiding in the preservation of order.

The Drill Team is composed of sixty members who have completed the basic course of training. These members are fully uniformed and are trained as a unit in precision drilling and police patrol duties.

This group patrolled all public concerts and athletic events throughout the summer. They also participated in the Junior Police Revue, March 17th; The Memorial Day parade and dedication exercises held on Memorial Day. An exhibition of drill was given at the Cheshire Fair.

The Drill and Calisthenics groups are supervised by Auxiliary Police Officer Maurice Olmstead. His services have been donated since the formation of the Corps.

The Boxing groups meet three times a month. This sport has been conducted on an inter-club basis. There are five teams of performers in both the Junior and Senior groups.

During the year, they have participated in the Inter-club Championships. On March 17th, the finalists gave exhibitions at the Junior Police Revue. This group has also given exhibitions for various service organizations.

The development of this group has been somewhat curtailed due to lack of proper equipment. With proper training facilities, this group will appear in amateur competition.

The teams are coached by Police Officer Michael Vitale, who has given his services to promote this fine sport among the club members.

During the summer season, baseball teams were developed. The

Junior groups were given instructions at a baseball school which was held twice weekly throughout the summer.

The ward league competition started during the previous summer was dropped in order that schedules would not conflict with the City Recreational soft ball league.

A varsity baseball group was formed, comprising more than three full teams. The Varsity was fully uniformed, and played outside competition. Sixteen games were played with Camp teams and nearby City recreational clubs. The Corps won thirteen games and lost three, highlights of the season being the play-off games with Camp Notre Dame in which the Corps lost a 7-6 decision in extra innings, the defeat of the Claremont Recreational All-Star team 10-8 at Claremont, the two-game series with the newly-formed Junior Police Team of Brattleboro. One game played in Brattleboro in connection with the Junior Police Day in which Keene won 3-0, the return game with Brattleboro played at Alumni Field as a feature of the Keene Rotary Show which saw the Keene Corps duplicate their previous performance, winning by a score of 13-3.

The entire squad were guests of the Boston Red Sox at Fenway Park for the St. Louis Browns-Red Sox game.

Baseball groups were coached by Rev. Father Hansberry.

Regular football was introduced to the Corps for the first time during the fall season. Through the cooperation of Keene Teachers College, the Hyde Street grounds were made available for the team. Equipment was donated by interested citizens in the Community and instructions were given in the art of block

and tackle.

This group played seven games, losing four games and winning three. A home and home game was played with St. Josephs of Laconia, Mythical Champions of New Hampshire. Both games were won by the Laconia team. The Band accompanied the football team to Laconia, and both the band and the team members were royally entertained by St. Joseph School and the Laconia Lodge of Elks. The game in Keene was played at Alumni Field and the Keene Lodge of Elks played host to both the visiting team and the Junior Police Corps team, the feature of the entertainment being a banquet given at the Hotel Eagle following the game.

During the season more than eighty members ranging in age from eight through fourteen years received coaching in this rigorous activity.

Rev. Father Hansberry of St. Bernard's coached this group and developed many fine young athletes.

The best known and most popular activity of the Corps is the Band. This group was formed in September, 1943. Instructions were given throughout the early months of this year. On March 17th, a concert was given in the City Hall. This revue was well received by the public, and the Band has been the recipient of many invitations to play in other cities since that time.

During the months of May and June, concerts were given at the Junior High Schools throughout the City. On May 28th, the Band participated in the American Legion Exercises and Parade. On Memorial Day, the group marched in the parade at Bellows Falls, Vt. On June 12th, in the Keene War Bond

Parade. On June 17th, at the invitation of Mayor Tobin of Boston, the group participated in the Bunker Hill Day Parade. This parade covered over six miles of old Charlestown and the youngsters made a favorable impression on the hundred thousand spectators in the line of march.

During the months of July and August, a Band School was conducted. Sixty corps members were invited to attend the classes. The school ran six days weekly with courses being given in all band instrumentation. This school was in charge of Director Woodbury. At the close of the school, forty members were chosen to enter the band. This increased the band personnel to seventy-one members. Also added to the unit were two drum major-ettes and a Colorguard.

On June 21st, the band played at the Scenic Theatre at the Bond Premiere. On July 3rd, a concert and parade was given in Brattleboro, Vt. On July 4th, the group participated in the Honor Roll dedication. On July 6th, a concert was given at Bucks Shows at the invitation of the American Legion. A return to Brattleboro, Vt., was made on July 30th at the Vermont State Convention of Legionnaires. On August 16th, at the Junior Police Field Day at Brattleboro. On August 18th, at Dublin, N. H., at the invitation of the Farm Bureau. On August 19th, at Keene, for waste paper drive; on August 27th, at Sullivan, N. H., for Old Home Day Exercises. On August 27th, at Keene, Rotary Field Day. On September 4th, at Marlboro Flag Dedication. On September 6th, a concert was given at the High School Auditorium. On September 14th and 15th, at the Cheshire Fair. Sep-

tember 24th, at the Keene Airport C. A. P. exercises. On November 5th, at Laconia, N. H., as guests of Laconia Lodge of Elks. On November 12th, at St. Josephs football game at Alumni Field. On November 26th, at the Lion's Radio Program. On December 10th, at the Keene American Legion. Activities for the year were completed with the Bridge of Joy Festival at the Teachers College on December 23rd.

The Band is under the direction of Mr. Charles A. Woodbury. The successes of this unit are in a large measure the personal successes of our Director, for only through his knowledge, ability, and unceasing effort, could this unit have been possible.

A Glee Club was organized during the early part of the year. This group produced a Minstrel Show which was shown at the High School Auditorium. Many talented young singers were given instruction and entertainment in this activity.

During the year, the Corps participated in many activities as a unit, notably, the patriotic and civic activities connected with the War Effort. They have assisted in two bond drives, two metal and paper salvage drives, the patrol of victory gardens throughout the summer and fall seasons, patrol at band concerts, augmenting the regular police force at athletic and other public functions. They have attended educational movies and have been addressed by a member of the F. B. I., as well as prominent clergymen and educators. Since June 12th, the Corps has provided for the distribution of flags on our Main Street on all holidays.

Work in the Junior Police has not been restricted to organizational

features alone. Consultations have been held with individuals and other organizations interested in youth activities in order to effect every means of cooperation with such persons. Schools, playgrounds, have been visited regularly. All sessions of the Juvenile Court have been attended. Parents of individual boys have been contacted in order to assist them in their problems. Medical attention has been afforded members of the Corps in specific instances where the need was urgent and the means available uncertain. In brief, our efforts have been devoted in every way possible toward aiding youth with their problems, to guide boys, their behavior and attitudes, to become useful citizens.

During the latter part of the year, a drive for funds for this organization was undertaken by members of the Lions Club. At this particular time we were approximately \$1,500 in debt and the outlook was not very bright. Mr. Farina of the Princess Shoe Co. had given the Corps the use of a building as a clubhouse and because of our financial circumstances, it was impossible for us to make use of this very generous gift. The purpose of the Lions Club drive was twofold—1st to pay our outstanding indebtedness and to enable us to furnish this building for the use of the boys. At a meeting of the Lions Club a check for \$2,300 was presented to Chief Regan.

Large numbers of invitations have been received to address various societies, clubs, and other organizations in youth work as well as to broadcast our activities over radio, recounting the functions and work of the Junior Police. Many inquiries have been received from all parts of the country, requesting information regarding the unit.

Addresses on Junior Police Corps were delivered on January 10th to the Roosevelt Parent-Teachers Association; January 18th, Tilden Parent-Teachers Association; February 14th, Symonds Parent-Teachers Association; March 6th, Lions Club; March 19th, Marlboro, N. H., Youth Center; March 20th, an interview by Dr. Myers at Keene Teachers College; on April 20th, the American Legion Auxiliary Post, Keene; on May 2nd, the Lincoln Parent-Teachers Association; May 5th, the Symonds School Assembly; May 11th, Our Town Program, Radio Station WKNE; May 16th, the Edgewood Civic Club; May 26th, Baptist Church 20-30 Club; September 18th, Bellows Falls Rotary Club; September 26th, Immanuel Church Boy Scout Conclave; October 5th, Windham County Peace Officers Association at Brattleboro, Vt.; November 1st, radio program, Federated Womens Clubs; November 2nd, Fitzwilliam Library Association; November 5th, Unitarian Mens Club, Peterborough, N. H.; November 15th, at East Jaffrey, N. H., Parent-Teachers Association; November 17th, at American Legion District Meeting; November 25th, at the Granite Club, West Keene; November 26th, on the Lions Club Radio Program; December 8th, at the Franklin Junior High School Safety Program.

Letters of commendation have been received from Judge Elmer L. Evans of the Sixth Judicial District of Pennsylvania; Mayor Maurice L. Tobin of Boston, Mass.; Miss Ella Winter, author and lecturer, New York City.

Letters of inquiry have been received from the City of Erie, Pennsylvania; Burlington, Vt.; Quincy, Mass.; Lexington, Mass.; Laconia,

N. H.; and the State of North Carolina.

AUXILIARY POLICE

The Auxiliary Police continues to be our reserve force for any and all emergencies. On one occasion during the past year, when this city was threatened by a hurricane, the Auxiliary Police responded 100 per cent to an emergency call. Although it afterwards developed that they were not needed, their value to the city in cases of similar emergencies is immeasurable. One of the members of this organization, Patrolman Carl R. Sawyer, was added to the regular force. This is in keeping with the intention of the Board that all future additions to the regular department be taken from the Auxiliary Police Corps.

PERSONNEL

It is recommended by this Board that Section 4 of Chapter 153 be amended by striking out "ten regular police officers" and inserting "fifteen regular police officers" so as to read: "Section 4: The police force of said city shall consist of a chief of police and not exceeding fifteen regular police officers, who shall devote such time as shall be required by the commissioners to the performance of the duties of their office, and who shall not be engaged in any other business or occupation (except as constables), and special police officers whenever and in such numbers as they may deem best."

It is the opinion of this board that an increase in the personnel will be needed to properly protect our citizens immediately following the end of World War II. The Commissioners feel that any additions to the regular department shall be taken from the ranks of honorably discharged veterans.

TRAFFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

That parking be prohibited on either side of Lamson Street from Main Street to the intersection of Federal Street.

One-way traffic on Church and Railroad Streets.

That proper signalling devices be installed on the following grade crossings: Winchester Street, Island Street, and West Street. We are also recommending a change in the signalling system at the Main Street grade crossing.

That traffic lights be installed on West Street at the intersection of St. James Street to operate in conjunction with traffic lights at Central Square and West Street.

That a suitable terminal for busses be established in the city. This would be available for all busses picking up or discharging passengers. We believe that this terminal would not only be a comfort and a convenience to our shopping public, but would greatly aid in reducing traffic congestion throughout the business district.

That suitable municipal parking areas be established in the city. We suggest that a committee comprising members of the city government and the police department be appointed and that an early solution of our parking problem may be forthcoming.

APPRECIATION

We wish at this time to express our appreciation to the Mayor, the members of the City Government, Justice Charles A. Madden, County Solicitor Arthur Olson, City Solicitor Edward C. Sullivan, and members of the Department, for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Rupert E. Robinson, *Clerk.*

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor, and
Board of Aldermen:

I hereby submit my report for the
year ending December 31, 1944.

There were 21 bell alarms, 400
still alarms, making a total of 421
alarms. Eighteen of these alarms
were out of town.

The estimated value of buildings damaged by fire	\$319,750.00
Damage to buildings	13,210.69
Insurance on said build- ings	274,900.00
Insurance paid	13,210.69
Value of contents of buildings	131,500.00
Damage to contents	2,473.87
Insurance on contents....	122,040.00
Insurance paid	2,473.87

The Department has answered 33
more alarms during the year, than
last year, and the fire loss will not
be half that of last year.

Eugene B. Riley, Chief



There were more large forest fires
during the year than usual, as the
Spring season was very dry. Most of
these fires were caused by the Rail-
road.

The fire inspection of public
buildings is still showing very good
results as regards to store and base-
ment fires, as these inspections are
carried out monthly by the perman-
ent men.

The Motor Fire apparatus is in
very good condition, with the excep-
tion of Engine No. 3, which needs
its pump reconditioned as it is be-
ginning to wear and does not pump
capacity. This pump answers 80 per
cent of all alarms, and the Ladder
Truck which is 24 years old, should
be replaced by a modern piece of
equipment, as it is in the obsolete
class in a number of ways.

The Pumping engines have been
tested for their capacities, and all
passed the test except Engine No. 3.

All fire hose has been tested to
200 pounds pressure, 750 feet was
discarded as not being fit for use.
This hose will be turned over to the
Public Works Dept. There has been
purchased by the department 1,000
feet of 2½ inch hose. Also four new
36 x 8 tires for Engine No. 1. The
tires on the Chief's car have been re-
capped, and three more salvage cov-
ers have been purchased, this makes
ten covers in all.

The department has on hand
11,250 feet of 2½ inch hose, 3,500
feet of 1½ inch hose, and 1,200 feet
of linen unlined hose at South
Keene in Hose house.

The Fire Alarm and its circuits
are in very good condition. The
battery plates will need replacing
this year as they are five years old.

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STATEMENT OF FIRES WHICH OCCURRED IN THE CITY OF KEENE FROM JANUARY 1st, 1944 to DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date	Class of Bldgs.	How occupied	Owner	Occupant	BUILDINGS				CONTENTS				Total or Partial Loss	Cause of Fire
					Value	Damage	Insur- ance	Insur- ance Pd.	Value	Damage	Insur- ance	Insur- ance Paid		
1943														
Sept. 28	Wood	Dwelling	Forest Carey	Tenants	\$1,500	\$92.00	\$1,000	\$32.00					Partial	Oil stove chimney
Nov. 22	"	"	Forest Carey	"	5,500	25.00	5,000	25.00					"	"
Dec. 21	"	"	Phil's Fontaine	Same	6,000	45.64	5,000	45.64					"	Expos. R M Co fire
" 23	"	"	Chas. Bouvier	"	5,000	118.00	4,000	118.00					"	Expos. R M Co fire
" 25	"	"	J F Gallagher	Tenants	3,000	27.00	3,000	27.00					"	"
1944														
Jan. 2	"	"	Arnold Shea	Same	5,000	22.00	4,500	22.00					"	Cellar fire chimney
" 2	"	"	Mabel C Perry	Tenants	3,500	40.00	3,500	40.00					"	"
" 15	"	"	Lydia Buskey	"	3,500	50.00	3,000	50.00					"	"
" 19	"	"	Jas Leahy Est	Same	2,000	104.06	2,000	104.06	\$1,500.00	\$29.20	\$1,000.00	\$29.20	"	Wood box chimney
" 22	"	"	Paul Sigston	"	4,500	64.00	3,800	64.00	1,500.00	34.50	1,000.00	34.50	"	"
" 23	"	"	G Costantino	"	4,000	18.00	3,000	18.00					"	"
" 30	"	"	D Palazonzo	E. Morrisette	4,000	25.00	3,500	25.00	600.00	10.00	500.00	10.00	"	"
Feb. 6	"	"	John Smith	Tenants	2,500	14.00	2,000	14.00					"	"
" 23	"	"	A. Caldarella	Same	5,000	107.80	4,150	107.80					"	"
" 23 W. & B.	Wood	Whol Gro Co	Hobk Gro Co						95,000.00	69.00	91,500.00	69.00	"	Coffee roaster chimney
" 24	"	"	F L Fairbanks	Tenants	6,500	55.00	5,500	55.00					"	"
Mar. 1	"	"	Mary E Wood	"	4,500	130.00	4,500	130.00					"	"
" 24	"	"	L B Randall	Same	2,000	5.00	1,500	5.00					"	"
" 7	"	"	John A Booras	"	5,750	45.00	5,000	45.00	1,500.00	30.00	1,000.00	30.00	"	Cellar fire chimney
" 8	"	Dwell & store	Strier & Heald	Tenants	6,500	21.67	6,500	21.67					"	"
" 9	"	Dwelling	H M Hill	Same	5,000	67.75	4,300	67.75					"	"
" 11	"	"	Sam Demetree	Tenants	6,000	160.00	6,200	160.00					"	Oil burner chimney
" 11	"	"	G A Yardley	Same	2,500	110.10	2,000	110.10	1,500.00	28.00	1,000.00	28.00	"	Smoking oven chimney
" 24	"	Whol Produce	Ab ham Cohen	"					8,500.00	364.00	7,000.00	364.00	"	"
" 24	"	Dwelling	Chas. Stanton	"	2,000	72.34	1,900	72.34					"	"
Apr. 10	"	"	A L Cook, Est.	Tenants	5,000	30.00	4,000	30.00					Total	Unknown chimney
" 17	"	"	Chas. Furlone	"	2,500	2,100.00	2,100	2,100.00					Partial	"
" 13	"	"	F Trubiano	Same	5,500	18.00	5,000	18.00					"	"
" 23	"	"	Evans White	"	3,100	62.00	2,600	62.00					"	"
" 28	"	"	P F West	"	5,000	15.00	4,500	15.00					"	"
May 1	"	Garage	A C Graves	"	300	10.00	200	10.00					"	Grass fire
June 10	"	Dwelling	Earl Little	"	5,000	25.80	4,000	25.80	2,500.00	91.00	2,000.00	91.00	"	Match set fire
" 18	"	"	E L Dungan	"	4,000	67.05	4,000	67.05					"	Smoking in bed chimney
" 21	"	"	C L Whittaker	"	5,500	35.00	5,200	35.00					"	"
" 28	Brick	Hotel	Daniel O'Neil	Same	98,000	30.00	38,000	30.00	10,000.00	70.00	10,000.00	70.00	Partial	Smoking in bed chimney
" 29	Wood	Barn & Dwell.	Gordon Baker	"	6,500	5,000.00	5,000	5,000.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	Total	Unknown

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Feb. 9	"	Dwelling	W L Greene	Tenants	4,000	20.00	3,000	20.00					Partial	Chimney
Aug. 10	"	"	C & F Buckman	Same	6,000	40.80	5,000	40.80					"	Oil burner
Oct. 2	"	"	Cheshire Oil Co	Tenants	4,000	1,232.80	3,000	1,232.80					"	Unknown
" 19	"	"	V Lashua	"	6,000	20.00	1,000	20.00					"	Chimney
" 25	"	"	Helen Fitch	Same	3,500	60.00	2,700	60.00					"	Smoking
Nov. 1	Brick	Store store	Garthinkle & B.	Pierce-Wells	27,000	44.00	26,000	44.00	3,000.00	41.50	2,500.00	41.50	"	Rubbish
" 3	Wood	Dwelling	Olivier Blain	Same	3,500	1,634.27	3,000	1,634.27	1,500.00	460.69	1,200.00	460.69	"	Unknown
" 24	"	"	F G Teneault	"	3,000	134.00	3,000	134.00					"	Chimney
" 28	"	Store & Dwelling	I H Ballou	Tenants	5,000	296.00	2,000	296.00					"	Hot ashes
" 30	Brick	Mail shop	N F W W Co	Same	70,000	150.00	60,000	150.00	600.00	96.08	540.00	96.08	"	Blower
Dec. 1	Brick	Dwelling	S Beaudoin	Louis Harper	4,000	37.21	1,700	37.21					"	Smoking
" 15	Wood	"	I. Belanger	Tenants	3,000	72.90	2,500	72.90	1,500.00	91.00	1,000.00	91.00	"	Chimney
" 19	"	"	R W Ringland	Same	3,500	716.50	2,500	716.50	1,800.00	558.90	1,300.00	558.90	"	Unknown
" 23	"	"	Julia Estate	John Fleming					\$131,500.00	\$2,473.87	\$122,040.00	\$2,473.87	"	Sheet iron stove
Totals					\$319,750	\$13,210.69	\$274,900	\$13,210.69						

A true copy:

JOHN H. SIMPSON, Clerk.

There is quite a little work to be done on the underground circuits this coming year.

The Board of Engineers recommend the purchase of an aerial ladder truck, 1,000 feet of fire hose, new tires for Engine No. 3, two fire alarm boxes, and new plates for the fire alarm battery.

To His Honor the Mayor, Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department, Officers and Members of the fire department, Auxiliary Firemen, and the Police Department I extend my thanks for the good co-operation rendered me during the year.

EUGENE B. RILEY,
Chief Fire Department.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

Engine No. 1—750 gallon triple combination, 60 gallon booster tank.

Engine No. 2—750 gallon triple combination, 80 gallon booster tank.

Engine No. 3—600 gallon triple combination, 100 gallon booster tank.

Emergency Squad No. 1—75 gallon pump, 150 gallon booster tank, flood lighting outfit, first aid supplies, salvage covers, inhalator, gas masks, stretchers, 1,100 gallon Morse invincible nozzle.

Emergency Squad No. 2—200 gallon pump, 150 gallon booster tank, 2,000 feet of 1½ inch hose, 35 gallon portable pump, pump tanks, shovels, axes, pulaskis, fire rakes, cross cut saw, and peavey.

City Service Ladder—239 feet ladders, Eastman deluge gun, 1,100 gallons, and foam generator.

Stewart Pannel Body Truck—For transporting men, hose and equipment.

Reo Speed Wagon—2,500 feet 1½ inch hose, 40 gallon portable pump.

This equipment is furnished by State Forestry Department.

Chief's Car—Oldsmobile Coupe.

Foam Generator—For large gasoline and oil fires, 2,000 lbs. foam powder.

Forest Fire Equipment—65 pump tanks, 3 extinguishers, 6 pulaskis, 6 forest fire rakes, 47 shovels, 12 hoes, 18 14-quart water pails, and two tubs for relaying water from pump to pump.

NUMBER OF ALARMS AND FIRE LOSSES BY YEARS From 1910 to 1944

Year	Still Alarms	Bell Alarms	Fire Loss
1910	50	16	\$5,650.00
1911	72	33	9,861.16
1912	70	22	13,200.85
1913	85	16	7,821.23
1914	80	19	26,799.71
1915	96	14	6,992.33
1916	83	13	12,650.62
1917	78	13	26,715.39
1918	98	25	14,437.56
1919	108	12	9,938.68
1920	155	17	38,703.31
1921	160	12	12,412.16
1922	125	20	16,457.93
1923	244	24	22,622.85
1924	209	11	65,468.18
1925	174	22	65,347.84
1926	245	17	15,459.94
1928	250	26	26,370.69
1929	251	26	86,297.72
1930	311	24	26,475.35
1931	255	23	46,457.31
1932	324	25	106,739.31
1933	330	15	7,976.76
1934	445	24	218,838.66
1935	414	34	22,830.25
1936	373	24	21,491.64
1937	360	21	34,871.66
1938	360	17	11,470.51
1939	380	24	18,283.49
1940	520	56	75,048.56
1941	422	34	19,551.71
1942	347	21	15,325.70
1943	372	16	132,029.32
1944	400	21	15,684.56

BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Members of the Board of Health, Keene, N. H.:

I hereby submit a report of my work for the year ending December 31st, 1944.

Sanitary inspections of stores, restaurants, dairies and barber shops have been conducted throughout the year. Most of these places have been found to be in good sanitary condition, but due in part to the help shortage there has been some failure to comply with the Sanitary Regulations. Whenever any unsanitary condition was found it was ordered cleaned up and a later call made to see that it had been done. Cooperation on the part of the proprietors in these matters has been good.

Many complaints of unsanitary conditions have been investigated and same cleaned up where necessary, these including:

Using of unauthorized sites as a dump, particularly roadsides and city property.

Unsupervised private dumps that become a nuisance.

Unsanitary or dilapidated dwelling houses or tenements.

Lack of suitable sanitary facilities.

Odors from various sources such as stables, hen yards, pig pens, and stagnant pools.

Unburied dead animals.

Several buildings were condemned as unfit for dwelling purposes and the tenants ordered out. Three of these buildings have since been torn down.

Much time has been spent the past year on Venereal Disease Control, in locating cases and contacts, having them examined and if found infected placed under treatment. Six persons were placed in quaran-

tine for treatment at the County Hospital and five were treated at the Elliot Community Hospital. Many more were treated by private physicians.

On July 21st the Ashuelot River became very discolored and had a bad odor with many dead fish on the banks and floating in the water. After making an inspection of the banks from Speaker St. to the Stone Bridge on Court St. all swimming places were immediately posted against swimming and samples of the water collected and some sent to the State Laboratory of Hygiene at Concord. Samples examined in the Keene Laboratory and at Concord showed the presence of quantities of decomposing pollen and vegetable matter which accounted for the odor. It is believed that the final runoff from the Surry Dam reservoir contained so much of this material that the fish could not live in it. The efforts of the blue herons and kingfishers and the people who collected them for fertilizer soon cleaned up the dead fish.

The contract for the collection of garbage was given to Mr. Theodore Bergeron for a term of three years to commence April 1st, 1944. The collection for the remainder of 1944 was very satisfactory, especially so, considering the difficulty in obtaining suitable equipment. Most of the garbage complaints listed below were made before April 1st, and most calls now are to notify to resume collection after being away or a change in the location of the can to prevent the garbage from freezing. Cooperation of the householders is much appreciated.

Following is a summary of the various activities for the year.

BOARD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES OF 1944

Inspections	
Bakeries	3
Barber shops	40
Cold storage and locker plants	4
Dairy farms	157
Food stores and markets	173
Ice cream plants	12
Restaurants and hotel kitchens	181
Slaughter houses	2
Soda fountains	74
Cases investigated	
Garbage calls	161
Nuisances and public health (trips made)	592
Venereal diseases (cases, contacts, follow-ups)	440
Milk samples tested	317
Water samples tested, Municipal supply	731
Water samples tested, other	9
Other samples tested	12
Sewage samples tested	16
Utensil samples taken	94
Water samples to Concord Laboratory	36
Food samples to Concord Laboratory	2
Dead animals disposed of	44
Talks given	43
Foster Homes licenses approved, inspection made	14
Dump No Rubbish signs erected	11
No Swimming signs erected	10
Milk licenses issued	
Stores	42
Dealers, producer-dealers, producers	102
Contagious diseases reported	
Anterior poliomyelitis	1
Cerebro-spinal meningitis	3
Chicken pox	53
Diphtheria	1
German measles	5
Gonorrhea	43
Measles	20
Mumps	1
Scarlet fever	15
Syphilis	16
Vincent's infection	4
Whooping cough	15

Respectfully submitted,

EVAN C. WHITE, *Health Officer.*

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

To his Honor the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Councils:

The Welfare Department respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 1944.

Conditions affecting the Welfare

Department have not changed to any great extent during the past year. A year ago we were very optimistic and looked forward to an early cessation of hostilities, and naturally expected a marked de-

crease in the demand for labor, which would react on the Welfare Department by an increase in the call for aid. I am sorry to say that this condition has not developed.

At the present time we have an ever increasing demand for labor. This condition has naturally decreased the call for aid from this department. With a very few exceptions, all adult persons who are physically able, are employed and self supporting. Only those who are unable to work for reasons of ill-health or other misfortunes are now on the welfare rolls. These cases will always be a liability of this department.

During the past year, this department has not extended any aid to any War Veteran.

Old Age Assistance is not affected by industrial conditions as the recipient is beyond the age of employment. These cases have increased

from 116 to 121 during the past year.

During the year 1944 this department has extended aid to 52 cases, including 99 persons. A breakdown of these figures would mean, 18 families. 65 persons, 19 singles, 5 cases of board and care of children and 10 cases of board and care of adults. The present case load is 24 cases, 46 persons.

The Welfare Department has received the fullest cooperation from all other city departments during the past year.

Appropriation, 1944.....\$19,746.12
Expenditures, 1944..... 18,085.43

Balance, Dec. 31st, 1944 \$1,660.69
Deposited with tax collector ————— 946.61

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL B. HAYWARD,

Overseer of Poor.

Dec. 31st, 1944.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS

To His Honor the Mayor and Members of the City Councils:

I hereby submit my report for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1944.

Private Pumps					31
			Condemned		
			For		
	Correct	Adjusted	Repairs	Confiscated	
Scales inspected	400	90	10	3	
Weights inspected	875	9			
Gasoline Pumps inspected.....	141	3	4		
Kerosene Pumps inspected	28		3		
Liquid Measures inspected.....	143				1
Oil Bottles inspected	235				
Grease Pumps inspected	68		3		
Test cans inspected	3				
Cloth Measures inspected.....	4				
Yard Sticks inspected	32				
Wood Truck Bodies inspected.....	30				
Packages not properly marked.....					16
Warning given in writing					3
Packages reweighed					690
Packages correct					450
Packages under					53
Packages over					146

WALTER L. GREENE,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

Gentlemen:

The Public Works Department has accomplished all necessary work in all departments with greatly reduced personnel.

HIGHWAY.

Forty-five miles of tar roads were surface treated with tar at a cost of \$249.00 per mile, previous cost having been approximately \$390.00 per mile. 70,000 gallons of tar used.

200 cubic yards cold patch was mixed in bulk resulting in 50% saving.

The Branch road was filled and resurfaced a distance of 1,800 feet, twelve culverts were installed and bridge box culvert extended in connection with State Highway Department T. R. A. program. Cost to the

George E. Hawkins



City was \$780.00 and to the State \$2,400.00. Balance of road will be finished and surface treated in 1945.

A new Austin Western patrol sweeper costing \$4,200.00 was purchased and put in operation. This is reflected in a reduction of \$2,000.00 in appropriation for cleaning streets in 1945.

Two International tractors were also purchased for side-walk plowing, mowing grass adjacent to our roads and sidewalks and for Airport mowing and maintenance.

Two old trucks were replaced by one used four wheel drive 1½ ton Dodge truck which handles our back and hill road plowing more efficiently. Cost of this vehicle was \$480.00.

One new steel truck plow was added to our equipment at \$611.00 replacing an old wooden plow costing from \$400 to \$600 per year to maintain.

These were obtained with funds from our regular appropriation saved in various operations and are capital investment.

A base fill of 760 cubic yards of gravel was placed for sidewalk from West Keene to Arlington together with necessary culverts and a temporary top. After a period for fill settlement, a permanent asphalt top will be placed. Cost to date \$610.34.

We removed 449 loads of rubbish in our Spring and Fall clean up at an expense of \$793.39 or about \$1.77 per load.

A culvert was built in Upper Court Street, near the old water tub which has eliminated a bad condition both as to water and ice in the highway. It has been most annoying to the public as well as to us.

Incidentally it will save us 100 man hours each winter.

AIRPORT.

New construction, 500 feet of new road built, 500 feet of 6 in. Cast iron stalled for Bowman's administration water pipe laid and one hydrant installed. Septic sewer disposal was in-building. Also a walk from this building to the taxi apron, all at total cost of \$2,002.00.

WATER.

A great deal of time was allotted to replacement of water services, nearly 100 were replaced.

Five hydrants were replaced and gates installed on each.

There were approximately one hundred leaks in the piping system developed, which were repaired properly.

Three gate valves that would not function were replaced.

The meter department has been reorganized and placed on proper

record and repair system.

A Remington Rand ledger card index system was purchased and installed for water service accounts.

Daily samples of water were tested for bacteria acidity and chlorine demand, the result being proof of the excellent quality of water delivered to consumers throughout the year.

SANITARY SEWERS.

Maintenance, and the construction of two manholes was all that was all that was accomplished.

DRAINS.

Strictly maintenance, no construction.

Appreciation is extended to all for the fine cooperation which has been extended to me in the administration of Public Works, the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. HAWKINS,

Superintendent.

Keene's New Austin Western Patrol Sweeper



BUILDING AND ENGINEERING

Keene, N. H., Jan. 8, 1945
To His Honor the Mayor and
Board of Aldermen:

My report for the year of 1944 is herewith presented.

The usual routine engineering work has been done for the several city departments this year as usual.

Considerable surveying has been done at the Dillant-Hopkins municipal airport where improvements have been made and additional land purchased for airport purposes. The land now owned by the city totals some 547 acres, and was obtained in 63 different tracts. Red and white painted iron pipe corners have been set at proper places around this land owned by the city and a map is being prepared which properly identifies the location of these pipes and each tract of land deeded to the City. This is a large tract of land owned outside our city limits which is now definitely bounded but as time passes these bounds will become obliterated, and replacing them will be a costly and tedious job. I believe the city should enact a law to have these lines renewed, and a record kept, in the same manner as the state requires the running of town lines each 7th year.

Victory gardens were again provided by the city and plots were surveyed and numbered so that the committee could better assign portions to those applying for garden space.

Repairs to several city buildings include the waterproofing of outside walls and plastering and painting portions of the inside walls of Memorial Chapel, also roof repairs and sealing over joints and cracks on outside walls of city hall. One chim-

ney was retopped and repairs made to roof of Legion Hall.

Zoning violations the past year were mostly relating to the building of poultry houses in the residence districts, this construction is not now allowed under the amended zoning law of 1941. Some trouble has also been caused by the moving in of saw mill camps and locating them within the city, often people do not realize that city zoning extends to adjoining town lines.

Building work has increased this year, new buildings include Kafelt Mfg. Co. shop, and additions at Sprague & Carleton Inc. and at the New England Screw Co.

Permits for building have been granted at a total estimated cost of \$152,895, included in this total is \$7,200 for new houses, \$91,380 for new business construction, \$14,915 for additions and repairs to residence property, and \$39,400 for additions and repairs to non residential buildings.

Permits are as follows:—

Single houses	1
Single to double houses.....	3
Two tenement houses	1
Two tenement houses into 4 apartments	1
Two tenement houses into 3 apartments	1
Houses, additions to, repairs and alterations	48
Stores, mills, shops, repairs and alterations	10
Garages, 1 car	6
Garages, 2 car	2
Garages, additions and repairs ...	6
Barns	2
Laundry, addition to.....	1
Cabins	1
Store into one tenement.....	1
Sheds, poultry houses, etc.....	9
Church	1

Church repairs	1
Storehouses	6
Milk room	1
Gas stations, additions and repairs to	3
Dry Kiln, greenhouse, sawmill shed, 1 each	3

Diner, addition to 1
House numbers assigned 2
Respectfully submitted,
RALPH H. CLARK,
*City Engineer and Inspector
of Building.*

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

The Clerk of the Board of Adjustment submits herewith his report for the year 1944. During the year the Clerk received three petitions as follows:

1. George J. B. McCushing, 110-112 High Street. To remodel house into four apartments.

2. Perry Dunham, 115 Roxbury Street. To remodel house into three apartments.

3. Harry M. Kharfen, 464 Washington Street. To construct a new factory building partly located in a

business district.

Proper notice was given on each petition and upon hearing the evidence in each case, the request of each petitioner was granted.

Several inquiries were made during the year relative to possible changes to be made in various dwelling houses, but due to the scarcity of materials and the shortage of labor, no petitions were presented to the Board for action.

Respectfully submitted,
HOLLAND S. WHEELER,
Clerk of the Board of Adjustment.

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Jan. 2, 1945.

To His Honor the Mayor and Members of the City Councils:

I hereby submit my report as Plumbing Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1944. I have contacted all persons doing plumbing and have found all parties conforming to the rules required.

I have personally inspected and tested all new installations, additions and alterations made in the city.

Listed below is a record of work done during the year 1944.

Permits issued	93
Water tests made.....	21

Nature of plumbing installed	
Plumbing installed in new buildings	5
Alterations, additions and new work in old buildings.....	88
Closets	53
Sinks	45
Bowls	42
Baths	21
Shower baths	6
Wash trays	3
Washing machines	2
Urinals	1
Grease trap	1
Drinking bubblers	2
Plumbing license fees collected	\$8.50
Plumbing licenses renewed	17

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN H. SIMPSON,
Inspector of Plumbing.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Keene, N. H., Dec. 12, 1944

Mr. Charles F. Sumner,
City Comptroller,
Keene, N. H.

Dear Mr. Sumner:—

I am glad to submit the following schedule of expenditures of the Park Department for the past year to Dec. 1;

Wheelock Park	\$388.37
Robin Hood Park	675.87
Fuller Park	486.24
Hickey-Desilets Park	138.90
Ladies Park	345.20
Dinsmoor & Faulkner and Colony Lots	272.30
Drummer Hill	18.90
Commissioners Salary	458.34
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	\$2,784.12

Included in the above is an expenditure of \$350 from a gift of \$500 from the Rural Improvement Society for restoration work in Wheelock and Ladies Parks; the unexpended balance of \$150 of this fund was for work contracted for by bulldozer and scraper but which had to be deferred until spring because of shortage of labor.

The necessity of meeting other prevailing wages of 60 cents per hour for labor instead of the 50 cents paid the previous year made it necessary to curtail planned maintenance in some of the parks; cutting of the newly graded and seeded area in Ladies Park by lawn mower was abandoned in favor of a scythe

as was part of Fuller Park between Washington Street and the Armory; proposed cutting of brush in the pine plantings in Robin Hood Park, much needed to protect the growth of 45,000 seedlings planted there since the hurricane was again postponed and planting and care of annual flower beds at Hickey-Desilets Park and the triange at Marlboro and Baker Streets was not attempted.

In order to maintain the various areas on main thoroughfares with a minimum of pride in their appearance and to provide for the constantly growing use of larger areas at Robin Hood Park it would seem that a minimum city appropriation of \$2,500 is necessary and it is therefore earnestly recommended and it is as earnestly recommended that, in the post war planning, due consideration be given to the large amount of clearing that still remains to be done particularly in Ladies Park and the Drummer lot and to the further restoration and development for future recreational use of the large park areas which the City is so fortunate to possess.

If further details or estimates are desired by yourself or the Finance Committee, I will be glad to present them.

Respectfully submitted,
R. T. KINGSBURY,
Park Commissioner.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Keene, N. H., Jan. 1, 1945.
To His Honor the Mayor and Members of the City Councils:

I submit the following report of the Cemetery Department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1944.

There have been 103 adult and 11 infant burials during the past year.

There were 27 bodies stored in the Tomb last winter, two of these were infants. Seventeen of these bodies were taken to other towns for burial.

We have sold 25 four grave lots at \$60.00 each, 4 four grave lots at \$100.00 each and 5 single grave lots at \$10.00 each.

There are only 5 four grave lots left in the plot of lots that was opened up the last of May 1942. There were 80 lots in this plot. We have prepared a new plot in the North East Division of Woodland Ceme-

tery. This will give us approximately 73 new lots of four graves each. Near the North boundary of this same section there have been 15 single grave lots laid out. We have made 5 new lots in Greenlawn Cemetery and 3 in the West Cemetery.

We have filled and seeded 300 depressions and 24 walkways and straightened approximately 100 head-stones.

We have cared for 659 lots on perpetual care and 254 lots on annual care. There are more than 5 miles of road-ways through the various cemeteries that have to have constant care.

Collections for the year were \$5,644.90.

Bills receivable are \$3,582.50.

Respectfully submitted,
ELMER S. BRITTON,
Superintendent.

VICTORY GARDENS

Plans for 1944 Victory Gardens were started early in March, and it was decided that the previous years' program be carried on. Rev. William W. Lewis was again chairman and supervisor of the project. Land owners of nearly 14 acres of ground, some used in 1943 for Victory Gardens, were contacted and 12 different areas located in sections throughout the city were used.

Each area was divided into lots of 30 x 50 feet, and a nominal charge made to cover expenses of plowing and harrowing. Despite intensive advertising and publicity in cooperation with WKNE and the Keene Sentinel, a 10 per cent decrease in

Victory Gardens was evident. The total number of lots used was 334.

During the growing season many visits were made by the chairman to the gardens. Factors such as serious drought made it difficult for some of the gardeners to adequately care for their gardens—nevertheless, several thousand jars of food were canned by individuals at home and in the canning centers to insure a good supply of food for the coming winter.

The program was carried on with little expense to the city, save some of the clearing off of refuse which was done by the Department of Public Works.

At the Cheshire County Fair, many exhibits from the Victory Gardens were on display, and a goodly sum of prize money distributed.

Expenditures

Plowing and harrowing.....	\$313.73
Workers	15.00
Printing & Publicity.....	12.00
Signs	10.00

Cleaning up	10.00
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	\$360.73
<i>Income</i>	
Charges for land	\$376.57
Interest from bank20
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	\$376.77

Balance on hand—Keene	
National bank.....	\$16.04

WILLIAM W. LEWIS.

CITY PLANNING BOARD

At the annual meeting held in January, Ellis Robertson was elected chairman for the ensuing year; and L. Roland Taylor elected by the City Councils to serve on the Board. Robert T. Kingsbury was appointed by the Mayor to serve on the Board.

In April, the Committee on the Study of Playgrounds completed its studies and furnished a report of its findings to the City Government. The Board is happy to say that now there is a year-round program of sports and recreation working under a committee, members of which are appointed by the mayor.

In June, the City Government requested the Planning Board to recommend a site for the Keene Honor Roll. With the assistance of the City Engineer, the common in Central Square was chosen for its location; and the Honor Roll was dedicated on July 4th.

The Planning Board Committee appointed at the suggestion of the Mayor to consider the advisability of a Community Centre for Keene submitted a report to the Mayor and City Council. The Board recommended that the time was not right for the building of a Community Centre, but advocated a Youth Centre for the teen age group. They

felt that a Community Centre should be the outgrowth of an effective recreational program and urged a study be made by a competent person of a year-round program.

During the year, a Pick-up station was established on Main Street for the benefit of Service men passing through the city.

Special emphasis has been laid on Post-War Planning during the year. A Special Committee of the Board has been working with the Committee for Economic Development and the Keene Merchants Association, in conjunction with the Public Works Department, with a view toward laying plans to take care of any unemployment there may be in the city during the post-war period. A questionnaire was sent to all Service men and women and replies are now being received. These replies will help to give the Committee a fairly well rounded picture of the number of men expecting to return to the city following discharge from the Services, and whether they expect to want to return to their old jobs or not. The Committee is endeavoring to obtain information on just how many jobs will be available and with this, and further information at hand, the

Board expects to be able to advise the City Government regarding the amount of Public Works which may have to be undertaken to take up any slack there may be in employment.

The City Council during the year requested the Planning Board to study the so-called "Gofkauf" property on Main Street with a view to leasing it from the Boston and Maine Railroad for a parking space. The Board informed the City Government in its report to them that it recommend the leasing of this

property, especially in view of its report on a Parking Survey made just before the war when traffic was at its height. The City Government has, we understand, not yet arrived at a decision.

The Planning Board Committees on Shade Trees, Capital Budgeting, Community Resources and Opportunities have been active throughout the year.

Respectfully,
PERCY A. HUDSON,
Secretary.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

At the request of Mayor Holbrook, a committee on recreation was set up with the following members: Rev. William W. Lewis, chairman, Donald F. Ewing, George E. Hawkins, John O. Talbot, L. O. Thompson, Robert T. Kingsbury, William H. Shea, Mrs. Laverne Bushnell, and Mrs. Ann Jacobs.

This committee hired Sumner W. Joyce in July as Director of Recreation for the remainder of the year.

The first activity to be carried out by the Recreation Department was the opening and operating of five playgrounds in the following areas: Symonds School, Cleveland School, Tilden School, Robin Hood pool and playground, and Fuller Park. Two supervisors were in attendance at each ground for the remainder of the season. A special activities day was held each Wednesday afternoon. The total attendance for a six week period was 10,800. A full time arts and crafts instructor visited each playground twice a week. The attendance for these classes to-

taled 1,652 children. The outstanding pieces of work were on exhibit at the field day held at Keene Teachers College field on the final special day. A soft ball league and scrap paper drive were other features of the summer program.

Mr. Walter G. Perry donated playground equipment to be erected at Tilden School and gifts from the Rotary Club and American Legion will be used for equipment next year.

When public schools opened in the fall, all areas except Robin Hood Park were open after school, and Saturday mornings for 7 weeks. The attendance for this period was 3,393. A Junior High touch football league was sponsored during the fall season.

During the fall two craft centers were opened. One was located at Franklin School and the other at Cleveland School. The Franklin Center operated every school day except Tuesday when a class in baton twirling was held for girls. The center at Cleveland was open on

Wednesdays and served about 40 boys and girls each week. The attendance at Franklin ran from 100 to 160 boys and girls each week. Lack of instructors limited the extension of this program to other areas.

The brush was cleared from the ski run and trails at Drummer Hill, thus providing an excellent place for ski enthusiasts.

Grading work was completed on the Fish lot, thus more than doubling the size of the skating rink there. A water connection was set in to facilitate spraying and flooding. Flood lights were used for night skating at the Fish Lot and Robin Hood rinks. Other rinks were maintained at the Brick Yard, Edgewood and West Keene. Snowfalls, more frequent and severe than average,

hindered the work of keeping these areas open.

Through questionnaires circulated in the High School it was determined that there was a great desire on the part of the students to have a Youth Center. Therefore an organization was formed from home-room delegates to commence cleaning, decorating and furnishing the old cafeteria in the basement of the High School. This project was not completed by the end of the year.

Plans were laid for a "learn to swim" campaign to be conducted in the Teachers College pool. One hundred and seven 7th and 8th grade pupils signed up for the course.

SUMNER JOYCE,
Director of Recreation
for City of Keene.

KEENE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

February 19, 1945.

1944 marked several developments at the Keene Municipal Airport.

One of the first things noted in the Spring was the fine condition in which it came through the Winter. The runways had no sags or heaves and the drains functioned perfectly.

After the close of the Naval Training Program, Bowman Flying Service transferred their activities to the new field after erecting a very fine administration building, housing offices and a nice waiting room. They also installed Gas Tanks and Pumps of the latest type.

Mr. Bowman who is also Manager of the Airport made the neces-

sary compliance with rules and regulations of Civil Aeronautical Authorities and it was accepted by them as a Designated Airport thereby making it a stop for any type of licensed plane.

The Public Works Department constructed a new road from the main highway thereby creating a one way entrance and exit. At the same time water mains and drains were installed and sewage disposal taken care of.

Four individual hangars were constructed. Bowman Flying Service is now conducting a large Training School for Civilians besides doing considerable charter flying.

The Mayor, Members of Public Works Department and Monadnock Region Aviation Committee attended several meetings and hearings in the interest of the Airport, particularly to secure Commercial Air Service for Keene which we are now confident we will have as soon as possible under present conditions.

It is expected that during 1945 money will be available from the Federal Government for installation of landing lights and a radio tower together with extension of the runways.

Bowman Flying Service also expects to build a large Hangar to house their own planes and service transient planes.

C. E. EMERY, *Chairman*
Public Works Dept.



Ald. Clifford E. Emery

New Hangars at The Municipal Airport



BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1944—1943

ASSETS

General Fund:

	1944	1943	Increase Decrease*
Cash in Bank and on hand.	\$194,874.97	\$166,099.92	\$28,775.05
Accounts Receivable:			
Water Assessments,	\$21,338.92	\$21,822.80	\$483.88*
Special Assessments,	4,835.62	6,689.10	1,853.48*
Miscellaneous,	511.51	931.20	419.69*
	\$26,686.05	\$29,443.10	\$2,757.05*
Tax Receivables:			
Property,	\$33,524.44	\$41,219.95	\$7,695.51*
Poll,	17,999.49	20,083.99	2,084.50*
Soldiers' Bonus,	3,664.90		3,664.90
Tax Liens,	2,485.88	3,441.52	955.64*
Tax Deeds,	5,890.19	5,789.28	100.91
	\$63,564.90	\$70,534.74	\$6,969.84*
Inventories:			
Supplies,	\$13,008.18	\$13,008.18	
<i>Total General Fund,</i>	\$298,134.10	\$279,085.94	\$19,048.16

Capital Fund:

Land and Buildings,	\$701,775.11	\$701,775.11	
Equipment,	886,106.57	883,186.57	\$2,920.00
Due from General Fund,	2,498.37	3,198.37	700.00*
<i>Total Capital Fund,</i>	\$1,590,380.05	\$1,588,160.05	\$2,220.00

Trust Funds:

Saving Bank Deposits,	\$199,183.77	\$191,104.52	\$8,079.25
U. S. Government Bonds,	30,700.00	30,850.00	150.00*
Union School Dist. Notes,	19,500.00	19,500.00	
Other Securities,	24,449.90	24,449.90	
<i>Total Trust Funds,</i>	\$273,833.67	\$265,904.42	\$7,929.25

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1944—1943

LIABILITIES

General Fund:

	1944	1943	Increase Decrease*
Accounts Payable,	\$9,676.34	\$3,139.05	\$6,537.29
Withholding Tax Deductions,	929.01	980.61	51.60*
Trust Funds—Unexpended Income,	303.08	231.92	71.16
Deposits on Tax Deeds,	376.00	316.00	60.00
Due Union School District:			
Appropriation Balance,	123,220.24	115,900.00	7,320.24
Dog licenses,	2,525.34	2,171.58	353.76
Soldiers' Bonus—State of N. H.,	7,065.00		7,065.00
Unexpended Balances:			
Airport Construction Account,	\$2,498.37	\$3,198.37	\$700.00*
Due Capital Fund,		754.70	754.70*
Unexpended Balances,	1,250.00		1,250.00
	<u>\$147,843.38</u>	<u>\$126,692.23</u>	<u>\$21,151.15</u>
Reserves:			
Water Assessments,	2,936.96	2,936.96	
Special Assessments,	3,674.31	4,436.75	762.44*
Tax Receivables,	29,196.50	31,315.31	2,118.81*
Cancelled Bonds, etc.,	1,582.20	1,582.20	
Special—Water Department,	25,000.00		25,000.00
	<u>\$62,389.97</u>	<u>\$40,271.22</u>	<u>\$22,118.75</u>
Surplus,	\$87,900.75	\$112,122.49	24,221.74*
Total General Fund,	\$298,134.10	\$279,085.94	\$19,048.16

Capital Fund:

Bonds—Unmatured,	\$159,500.00	\$181,500.00	\$220,000.00
Municipal Equity:			
Net equity in fixed assets,	\$1,430,880.05	\$1,406,660.05	\$24,220.00
Total Capital Fund,	<u>\$1,590,380.05</u>	<u>\$1,588,160.05</u>	<u>\$2,220.00</u>

Trust Funds:

Charitable and Improvement Funds,	\$99,137.90	\$97,433.65	\$1,704.25
Public Library Funds,	39,592.25	39,592.25	
Library Book Funds,	6,493.52	6,493.52	
Cemetery Funds,	128,610.00	122,385.00	6,225.00
	<u>\$273,833.67</u>	<u>\$265,904.42</u>	<u>\$7,929.25</u>

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance from Previous Year	Appropriations	Cash Receipts	Transfers	Balances		
					Total Amount Available	Total Expenditures	Inclosed to Surplus
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:							
Salaries and Expenses,							
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:							
Highway Division,	\$31,619.98		\$2,771.10	\$56.56	\$31,675.64	\$31,215.00	\$460.64
Sewer Division,	62,764.64			2,529.29	68,065.03	66,886.48	1,178.55
Incinerator,	6,776.83			32.58	6,809.41	5,622.78	1,186.63
Disposal Plant,	3,038.36				3,038.36	2,949.99	88.37
Drain Division,	7,296.12				7,296.12	7,646.67	350.55 *
Water Division,	5,372.95			135.68	5,508.63	4,440.15	1,068.48
PUBLIC PROTECTION:	27,415.90			1,565.37	28,981.27	31,461.57	2,480.30 *
Fire Department,	28,657.45				29,438.10	28,952.15	485.95
Municipal Court,	28,442.00		780.65	325.50	28,767.50	29,240.41	472.91 *
Inspection Services,	3,550.00				3,550.00	2,398.00	48.00 *
Civilian Defense,	500.00				500.00	3,482.57	67.43
HEALTH & SANITATION:						507.00	7.00 *
Health Department,	4,045.00				4,045.00	3,698.75	346.25
Garbage Collection,	12,000.00				12,000.00	10,249.98	1,750.02
EDUCATION & RECREATION:							
Public Library,	11,350.60		1,494.90		12,845.50	11,920.55	1,624.95
Playgrounds,	7,000.00		25.41		7,025.41	6,243.98	781.43
Parks,	2,000.00		829.67	143.13	2,972.80	2,960.02	12.78
Band Concerts,	800.00				800.00	800.00	
PUBLIC WELFARE:							
Welfare Department,	19,746.12				19,746.12	19,285.07	461.05
Elliott Community Hospital,	4,500.00				4,500.00	4,500.00	
Keene Visiting Nurse Association,	3,000.00				3,000.00	3,000.00	
PUBLIC SERVICES:							
Municipal Airport,	\$3,198.37				3,198.37	700.00	\$2,498.37
Construction Account,	754.70				6,480.70	3,424.60	3,065.10
Cemetery Department,	5,160.00		575.00		13,406.67	13,462.71	36.04 *
Summer-Knight Chapel,	12,335.72		3,070.95		1,000.00	665.08	334.92
Street Lighting,	1,000.00				22,800.00	24,568.00	1,768.00 *
DEBT SERVICE:							
Bond Maturities,	22,800.00				22,000.00	22,000.00	
Interest and Expense,	5,676.88				5,676.88	5,378.44	298.44
UNCLASSIFIED ITEMS:							
Monadnock Region Asso'n,	1,800.00				1,800.00	1,800.00	
Patriotic Purposes,	925.00				925.00	898.10	26.90
Insurance Schedules,	2,000.00				2,000.00	2,487.36	687.36 *
Service-men's Families,	1,200.00				1,200.00	623.31	576.69
Honor Roll,	1,850.00				1,850.00	1,664.54	185.46
Veterans Hospital Committee,	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,144.31	355.69
V-E Day Program,	200.00				200.00	200.00	
Service-men's Fund,	2,000.00				2,000.00	2,000.00	
American Red Cross,	264.00				264.00	264.00	
Committee on New Industries,	200.00				200.00	84.69	115.31
	\$3,953.07	\$353,136.65	\$9,547.08	\$4,788.11	\$371,425.51	\$360,126.26	\$8,800.88
							\$2,498.37

TRUST FUNDS

December 31, 1944

PRINCIPAL

	<i>Balance 1/1/44</i>	<i>Additions</i>	<i>Balance 12/31/44</i>
CHARITABLE AND IMPROVEMENT FUNDS:			
George B. Elliott,	\$500.00		\$500.00
Simmons, Eastburn & Morse,	1,980.35		1,980.35
Minister Fund,	4,698.11		4,698.11
Firemen's Relief Fund,	1,158.15	\$29.12	1,187.27
Police Benevolent Fund,	2,919.72	73.44	2,993.16
Ingersoll—Ladies Wildwood Park,	893.52		893.52
Mary R. Hall—Charitable Fund,	3,000.00		3,000.00
Wheelock Forestry Fund,	5,000.00		5,000.00
Maria A. Griffin Hospital Fund,	1,011.94		1,011.94
Charles A. Jones Band Fund,	1,000.00		1,000.00
Milan F. Jones Deluge Hose Fund,	500.00		500.00
Sumner Knight Memorial Chapel,	5,041.18		5,041.18
Abbott A. Lane—Playground Fund,	1,010.00		1,010.00
Abbott A. Lane—Beautification Fund,	5,050.00		5,050.00
Serena W. Upton—Fund for Disabled Men,	291.16	7.31	298.47
Emily J. Elliot Deland Wheelock Park,	1,000.00		1,000.00
Mary P. Lane—Christmas Gift Fund,	5,050.00		5,050.00
Frank A. Wright—Scholarship Fund,	57,329.52	1,594.38	58,923.90
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	\$97,433.65	\$1,704.25	\$99,137.90
PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS:			
Henry O. Coolidge Fund,	\$23,556.63		\$23,556.63
John Symonds Fund,	16,035.62		16,035.62
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	\$39,592.25		\$39,592.25
LIBRARY BOOK FUNDS:			
Thayer & Chapin Fund,	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
Mary K. Hall Fund,	500.00		500.00
Ingersoll Fund,	893.52		893.52
Maria W. Osborne Fund,	100.00		100.00
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	\$6,493.52		\$6,493.52
CEMETERY FUNDS:			
	\$122,385.00	\$6,225.00	\$128,610.00
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<i>Total Trust Funds,</i>	\$265,904.42	\$7,929.25	\$273,833.67

CEMETERY FUNDS

Balance Cemetery Fund December 31, 1943,

\$122,385.00

NEW FUNDS ADDED:

Harvey-Simineau,	\$75.00
George E. Fraser,	150.00
William F. Whitcomb,	300.00
Minnie L. & Elmer A. Beard,	300.00
Charles C. Abbott,	300.00
Frank C. Potter,	100.00
James D. and Carrie L. Dexter,	150.00
John M. Higgins,	150.00
George E. Buckminster,	150.00
Lilla Snow McQuillan,	200.00
Cora C. Britton,	150.00
Mrs. Josephine Dunham Est.,	150.00
Robert C. Jones,	200.00
Robert P. Hayward,	300.00
George W. S. Platts,	150.00
Dr. Harry J. Hill,	150.00
Wallace E. Mason,	150.00
Charles E. and Nellie O. Woods,	150.00
Anna Latham,	150.00
Myron A. Nims,	150.00
John H. Woodbury, Sr.,	200.00
Jos. L. Desgranges,	300.00
Elvina Torrey (Wm. J. Malloy Lot),	150.00
Elwin Damon,	150.00
Herbert B. Viall, Additional,	200.00
George F. Sanborn,	100.00
Abbott W. and Addie E. Dickinson,	150.00
Preston Edwards,	150.00
Abijah H. Barrett,	150.00
Henry F. and Julia P. Barrett,	150.00
Thomas R. Cote,	150.00
Frank A. Cole,	150.00
Dr. Herbert K. Faulkner,	200.00
Evans H. Barrett,	150.00
George M. Reed,	150.00
Grace S. Wilder,	150.00

Total Funds Received, 1944,

6,225.00

Balance, December 13, 1944,

\$128,610.00

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 1944

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes,	\$533,914.70	
Poll Taxes,	17,022.95	
Soldiers Bonus,	19,315.10	
Interest on Taxes,	4,183.46	
Taxes redeemed,	2,859.33	
	<hr/>	\$577,295.54

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and Dividend Tax,	\$20,624.60	
Railroad Tax,	2,938.65	
Saving Banks Tax,	4,133.77	
Burial of Soldiers,	300.00	
Forestry Department,	5.20	
Bounties,	41.80	
	<hr/>	28,044.02

From Local Sources:

Water Assessment,	\$60,961.23	
Automobile Permits,	9,471.58	
Cemetery Accounts,	5,644.90	
Dog License Fees,	2,606.41	
Licenses and Permits,	1,183.00	
City Hall Rents,	305.00	
Rent of Land,	180.00	
Municipal Court Fines,	4,043.57	
City Clerk Fees,	1,447.01	
Miscellaneous,	632.93	
	<hr/>	86,475.63

From Other Sources:

Deposit on Tax Deeded Property,	\$60.00	
Trust Fund Principal,	6,225.00	
Income on Trust Funds,	5,898.63	
	<hr/>	12,183.63

<i>From Tax Anticipation Notes,</i>	\$100,000.00	100,000.00
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Income from Department Operations:

City Hall Maintenance,	\$54.25	
Public Works Department,	8,408.24	
Public Works State Payrolls,	1,080.00	
Airport,	650.00	
Library Book Fines,	440.00	
Park Department,	500.00	
Playground Department,	1,172.75	
Fire Department,	1,171.46	
Police Department,	636.63	
Health Department,	112.00	
Welfare Department,	946.61	
	<hr/>	15,171.94

	<hr/>	\$819,170.76
<i>Balance, Jan. 1, 1944,</i>		165,828.84
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<i>Total Cash Receipts,</i>		\$984,999.60
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CASH DISBURSEMENTS

General Government:

Salaries,	\$19,177.83	
City Hall Maintenance,	3,488.78	
Auditing,	911.00	
Expenses,	5,369.11	
	<hr/>	28,946.72

Highways and Bridges:

General Maintenance,	\$64,651.65	
Street Lighting,	22,674.60	
	<hr/>	87,326.25

Public Protection:

Fire Department,	\$26,560.29	
Police Department,	27,868.10	
Inspection services,	3,247.91	
Civilian Defense,	507.00	
Bounties,	88.00	
	<hr/>	58,271.30

Health and Sanitation:

Health Department,	\$3,455.94	
Garbage Collection,	10,249.98	
Sewer Department,	10,040.62	
Drain Department,	5,275.62	
Incinerator,	2,400.21	
	<hr/>	31,422.37

Education and Recreation:

Library Maintenance,	\$7,251.44	
Library Books,	2,071.99	
Playgrounds,	5,398.32	
Park Department,	3,266.33	
Band Concerts,	800.00	
	<hr/>	18,788.08

Public Welfare:

Welfare Dept.—Expenses,	\$1,968.28	
Old Age Assistance,	10,402.02	
Direct Aid,	5,283.18	
Elliot Community Hospital,	4,500.00	
Keene Visiting Nurse Association,	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	25,153.48

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Public Services:

Water Department,	\$27,173.11	
Cemetery Department,	14,396.80	
Airport,	2,333.49	
Sumner-Knight Chapel—		
Repairs,	550.30	
Maintenance,	290.18	
	<hr/>	44,743.88

Unclassified Items:

Monadnock Region Association,	\$1,800.00	
Patriotic Purposes,	898.10	
Insurance,	2,687.36	
Servicemen's Folders,	620.66	
Honor Roll,	1,664.54	
Veterans Hospital Committee,	648.92	
Servicemen's Fund,	2,000.00	
American Red Cross,	264.00	
New Industries Committee,	84.69	
State Road Work,	1,080.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue,	10,448.79	
Petty Cash Advance,	25.00	
Burial of Soldiers,	300.00	
Soldiers Bonus,	15,915.00	
Miscellaneous,	6,395.36	
	<hr/>	44,832.42

Taxes bought by City,	2,291.28	
Tax Anticipation Notes,	100,000.00	
Interest and Expense on bonds,	5,378.44	

Payments on Bonds:

1929 Highway Bonds,	\$5,000.00	
1931 Babbidge Dam Bonds,	2,500.00	
1934 Security Bonds,	500.00	
1934 Water Bonds,	1,000.00	
1934 Sewerage Bonds,	7,000.00	
1942 Airport Bonds,	6,000.00	
	<hr/>	22,000.00

Trust Funds:

Principal,	\$6,225.00	
Interest,	466.36	
	<hr/>	6,691.36

Payments to Other Governmental Units:

Cheshire County—Tax,	\$46,470.59	
Union School District:		
Balance of 1943 appropriation,	115,900.00	
1943 Dog Tax,	2,171.58	
On 1944 Appropriation,	150,000.00	
	<hr/>	314,542.17

Total Cash Disbursements,	\$790,387.75	
Balance, December 31, 1944,	194,611.85	
	<hr/>	\$984,999.60

ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND SURPLUS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1944

Balance, January 1, 1944,	\$112,122.49
Less; Reserve for Water Division, Capital Expenditures,	25,000.00
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	\$87,122.49

ADDITIONS—1944:

Tax Commitment (Exclusive of Soldier's Bonus Tax),	\$541,339.77
Less: School Appropriation,	\$273,220.24
County Tax,	46,470.59
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	319,690.83
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	\$221,648.94

Revenue:

State Shared Revenue,	
Interest and Dividends Tax,	\$20,624.60
Savings Banks Tax,	4,133.77
Railroads Tax,	2,938.65
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	\$27,697.02
Water Assessments,	60,477.35
Automobile Permits,	9,471.58
Interest on Taxes,	4,184.96
Cemetery Care, etc.,	5,069.90
Municipal Court Fines and Costs,	3,581.90
Highway Division,	642.85
Water, Sewers and Drains,	4,468.25
Rent of Property,	305.00
Licenses and Permits,	1,163.00
City Clerk Fees,	1,413.01
Other Departmental Income, etc. (Exclusive of credits to Appropriation Accounts),	3,202.46
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	121,677.28
Additional Taxes collected—not included in original commitments,	\$1,948.50
Less: Refund of Taxes,	160.69
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	1,787.81
Unexpended Appropriation Balances Lapsed to Surplus,	8,800.88
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	\$353,914.91

DEDUCTIONS—1944

Appropriations:	
1944 Budget,	\$332,047.65
Supplemental,	21,089.00
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	353,136.65
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	\$778.26
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BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1944	\$87,900.75
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BONDS PAYABLE OUTSTANDING

	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Amount of Issue</i>	<i>Payable Annually</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Water—Babbidge Dam,	4 $\frac{1}{4}$ %	\$50,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$17,500.00
Water—Extensions,	4	22,000.00	1,000.00	8,000.00
Sewer Disposal Plant,	4	140,000.00	7,000.00	70,000.00
Park Development,	4	6,500.00	500.00	1,000.00
Municipal Airport Construction, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$		75,000.00	6,000.00	63,000.00
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				\$159,500.00

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Date of Issue</i>	<i>Maturity</i>
Water—Babbidge Dam,	3-5-31	4-15-43 to 51
Water Extension,	2-9-34	2- 1-43 to 52
Sewerage Disposal Plant,	2-9-34	2- 1-43 to 54
Park Development,	3-5-34	2-15-43 to 46
Municipal Airport Construction,	1-6-42	2- 1-43 to 55

LAND & BUILDINGS

City Hall,	\$150,000.00
Thayer Public Library,	30,000.00
Central Fire Station,	50,000.00
American Legion Building,	20,000.00
Sumner-Knight Memorial Chapel,	15,000.00
Public Works Department:	
Highway Division,	\$36,600.00
Water Division,	267,877.37
Sewer Division,	23,395.01
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	327,872.38
Cemetery Department,	2,000.00
Minister Lot,	600.00
Common, Central Square,	1.00
Public Parks:	
Wheelock Park,	\$7,000.00
Robin Hood Forest,	7,000.00
Children's Woods,	300.00
Ladies' Wildwood Park,	4,300.00
Fuller Park,	10,000.00
Hickey-Desilets Park,	300.00
Dinsmore Woods, Maple Ave.,	1,900.00
Faulkner & Colony Land, Maple Ave.,	2,000.00
Faulkner & Colony Land, Park Ave.,	1,700.00
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	34,500.00
Municipal Airport Construction,	71,801.73
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	\$701,775.11

INVENTORY OF MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

City Clerk,	\$50.00
Comptroller,	100.00
Tax Collector,	25.00
Tax Assessors,	25.00
Public Works Department,	11,669.92
Fire Department,	506.71
Cemetery Department,	300.00
Police Department,	150.00
Health Department,	166.55
Welfare Department,	15.00
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	\$13,008.18

RESERVES

Property and Poll Taxes,	\$22,265.24
Water Assessments,	2,936.96
Public Works Department,	725.24
Cemetery Department,	2,949.07
Unredeemed tax titles,	1,141.98
Unredeemed deeds,	5,789.28
Water Department,	25,000.00
Cancelled Bonds and Warrants,	1,582.20
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	\$62,389.97

DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

City Clerk,	\$250.00
Comptroller,	200.00
Tax Collector,	450.00
Tax Assessors,	475.00
Public Works Department,	814,624.76
Library,	20,000.00
Cemetery,	1,800.00
Fire Department,	37,010.13
Police Department,	7,225.00
Inspection Services,	305.00
Health Department,	1,004.18
Welfare Department,	995.00
Park Department,	1,767.50
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	\$886,106.57

JOINT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES PASSED IN 1944

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CHANGING THE ZONING LAWS.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That Section 1, Paragraph B of the Zoning Ordinance be amended by extending the business district on Marlboro Street on the northerly side thereof, to include the premises known as No. 50 on said Marlboro Street.

Passed March 2, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE SALARY OF THE CITY SOLICITOR.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That Chapter XXXV, Section 3, of City Ordinances be amended by striking out the words 'Five Hundred (\$500)' and inserting in place thereof the word 'Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750)', so that the Section shall read as follows:

Sect. 3. The City Solicitor shall receive in full compensation for all services as City Solicitor and for all duties appertaining to his office not otherwise provided for the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750) per year to be paid in equal semi-annual payments. In all cases however when his attendance may be required out of the City, his reasonable travelling expenses shall be allowed him.

Be it further ordained that this provision shall be retroactive to January 1, 1944.

Passed April 6, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE OFFICE OF ASSISTANT-TREASURER.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

Amend Section 1 Chapter XXVII by inserting after the words "City Treasurer," the words "Assistant City Treasurer," and amend Section 1 Chapter XXIX as amended June 1, 1939, July 16, 1942 and January 7, 1943 by inserting after the words "Treasurer, in the sum of thirty thousand dollars;" the words "Assistant-Treasurer, in the sum of ten thousand dollars;".

Passed April 6, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO RECREATION.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That Section 5 of Chapter XXIII of Revised City Ordinances of 1935 be amended by striking out the same and inserting the following in place thereof so that said Section shall read as follows:—

Section 5. Appropriations for the purpose of providing, equipping and maintaining public playgrounds, athletic fields and recreation shall be expended by and under the direction of a recreation committee consisting of nine persons, one member from the City Government, one member from the Board of Education, the Park Commissioner, the Superintendent of Public Works, the Superintendent of Schools and four members from the public, two of whom shall be women, which committee shall be appointed by the mayor, and the vouchers for expenditures by which shall be submitted to and approved by him. Said committee is authorized and empowered to make such rules, regulations and restrictions in regard to such playgrounds, athletic fields and recreation as may in their judgment be wise and necessary.

Passed June 27, 1944.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CHAPTER XVIII, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4, TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the following be added to Section 4, Article IV, Chapter XVIII:

No vehicle shall be left standing on the east side of Elm Street between Vernon and Mechanic Streets.

Amended to read west side of Elm Street from Vernon Street to Mechanic Street instead of the now wording east side.

That ordinance be further amended to read "that the Public Works Department cause a suitable sign to be placed on the Fish Parking lot bearing the caption "Public Parking".

Passed December 7, 1944.

RESOLUTIONS

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO REGULAR MEETINGS.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene as follows:

That the City Councils meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 P. M., for the transaction of general business.

Passed January 6, 1944.

Enclosed please find \$150.00, the same to be safely invested and the income thereof to be used for the perpetual care of the George Fraser Lot No. 704, Sec. 15, in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D. The Fund to be known as the George Fraser Fund.

GEORGE E. FRASER

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE GEORGE FRASER CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the George Fraser Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 704, Section 15, in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed February 3, 1944.

Keene, N. H.
Feb. 18, 1944

To the City of Keene, N. H.
Gentlemen,

I enclose herewith a check in the amount of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars for the perpetual care of Lot No. 32, Section No. 1, in Woodland Cemetery, and known as the William F. Whitcomb Lot.

It is my desire that this fund shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law and that the income from the said bequest, only shall be used for the care of said lot. It is respectfully requested that this fund may be known as the William F. Whitcomb Fund.

Yours very respectfully,

(MISS) CARRIE MAY WHITCOMB

45 Beaver St.,
Keene, N. H.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE WILLIAM F. WHITCOMB CEMETERY FUND:

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the William F. Whitcomb Cemetery Fund of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 32, Section 1, in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed March 2, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A WAR EMERGENCY ADJUSTMENT WAGE.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Nine Thousand, Three Hundred Fifty-One and 68/100 Dollars (\$9,351.68) be paid to all City Employees, excepting employees of the Police Department, from money appropriated.

Said sum shall be in the amount of \$146.12 payable in weekly payments of \$2.81 to each full time employee receiving \$2,000.00 or less who has been in the continuous employ of the City for six months, retroactive to January 1, 1944.

Passed March 23, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO CURRENT BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1944 AND PROVIDING REVENUE FOR FINANCING THE SAME.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the amounts herein named, aggregating Three Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand, Forty Seven Dollars and Sixty-Five Cents, (\$332,047.65), or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated, from current revenue for the use of the several departments of the City Government and for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1944, and ending December 31, 1944, as follows:

(Amend the Budget by striking out the amendment to the fire department and further amend the Budget by striking out all mention of the War Emergency Bonus and insert in place thereof a blanket increase of 8% in wages for all City Employees except the Police Department, receiving \$2,000 and under per year.)

(Also amend the Land and Buildings Budget by striking out the figures \$250 under Fire Station Repairs, making the total for this Department \$7,548.)

SUMMARY
Departmental Appropriations

	<i>Budget Allowance</i>	<i>Anticipated Revenue</i>	<i>Net Appropriation</i>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Mayor and Councils	\$900.00		\$900.00
City Clerk	2,846.12		2,846.12
Accounts and Finance	7,750.00		7,750.00
Tax Collector	6,740.72		6,740.72
Tax Assessors	2,700.00		2,700.00
Land and Buildings	7,632.24		7,632.24
Elections and Registrations	2,000.00		2,000.00
City Solicitor	550.00		550.00
Planning Board	250.00		250.00
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	\$31,369.08		\$31,369.08
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT			
Highway Division	\$65,003.00		\$65,003.00
Sewer Division	14,072.95		14,072.95
Drain Division	5,372.95		5,372.95
Water Division	27,415.90		27,415.90
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	\$111,864.80		\$111,864.80
PUBLIC PROTECTION			
Fire Department	\$28,442.45		\$28,442.45
Police Department	28,442.00		28,442.00
Municipal Court	2,350.00		2,350.00
Inspection Services	3,550.00		3,550.00
Civilian Defense	500.00		500.00
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	\$63,284.45		\$63,284.45
PUBLIC HEALTH			
Health Department	\$4,045.00		\$4,045.00
Garbage Collection	5,000.00		5,000.00
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	\$9,045.00		\$9,045.00
EDUCATION AND RECREATION			
Thayer Library	\$12,950.60	\$1,600.00	\$11,350.60
Playgrounds	2,500.00		2,500.00
Public Parks	2,500.00	500.00	2,000.00
Band Concerts	800.00		800.00
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	\$18,750.60	\$2,100.00	\$16,650.60
PUBLIC WELFARE			
Welfare Department	\$19,746.12		\$19,746.12
Elliot Community Hospital	4,500.00		4,500.00
Keene Visiting Nurse Association	3,000.00		3,000.00
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	\$27,246.12		\$27,246.12
PUBLIC SERVICES			
Municipal Airport	\$5,700.00	\$540.00	\$5,160.00
Cemetery Department	14,125.72	2,900.00	11,225.72
Sumner-Knight Chapel, Repairs	1,000.00		1,000.00
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	\$20,825.72	\$3,440.00	\$17,385.72
Street Lighting	22,800.00		22,800.00

UNCLASSIFIED ITEMS

Monadnock Region Association	1,800.00	1,800.00
Patriotic Purposes	925.00	925.00
Insurance Schedules	2,000.00	2,000.00
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	\$4,725.00	\$4,725.00
Total Departmental Appropriation	\$304,370.77	
Debt Service Charges	27,676.88	
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Estimated Revenue	\$112,100.00	
To be raised by tax levy	219,947.65	
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And that a Reserve Fund of \$25,000.00 be set aside from Unappropriated Surplus for Capital Expenditures for the Water Division.
Passed March 23, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES ENTERING THE ARMED SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

It is hereby moved that the Joint Resolution relating to leave of absence for City Employees entering the Armed Services of our Country be amended by striking out the whole thereof and substituting the following:

'When any person employed by the City of Keene for a period of one year or more whose position is not regulated by election or appointment for a definite term of years shall enter the Armed Services of the United States he or she shall be granted a leave of absence by his or her Department Head. Such person shall be reinstated after such service provided he or she makes application therefor within sixty days after he or she has been relieved from such service or within sixty days after the date upon which he or she could by his or her own application have obtained a discharge, unless prevented from making application for such discharge by circumstances beyond his or her control. No such person shall be entitled to reinstatement in the event of his or her dishonorable discharge.

Provided however that in the event that two or more persons have similar claims for reinstatement to the same position the one entering the armed services first shall receive preferential treatment even though discharged at a later date.

Passed April 6, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO COLLECTION OF POLL TAXES.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the tax collector is hereby authorized to give notice in writing of persons whose taxes shall be unpaid after July 1st, and if the said taxes are not paid within fourteen days after the said notice, then the said collector may charge twenty cents for said notice and may distrain for the same.

That the tax collector is hereby authorized to appoint such deputies as he may see fit, which said deputies shall be sworn, give bond to the satisfaction of the city, and have the powers of collectors, and who may be removed at the pleasure of the collector.

Passed April 6, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) be and hereby is appropriated out of money not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of an additional amount for garbage collection.

Passed April 6, 1944.

Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen,
 Keene, N. H.

Gentlemen:

I wish to carry out the bequest of Frank C. Potter, deceased, late of Keene, under the third clause in his will, which reads as follows:

April 8, 1944.

"THIRD. I give and bequeath to the City of Keene, as Trustee in Trust, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) to hold, manage and invest and use the income thereof in the care and improvement of my burial lot in Greenlawn Cemetery in said Keene."

I enclose herewith check to the order of the City of Keene for One Hundred Dollars (\$100) and ask that it be accepted for the purpose stated.

MRS. EUNICE C. KING, *Admx.*

Admx. w.w.a. Frank C. Potter Est.

May 1, 1944

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE FRANK C. POTTER CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Frank C. Potter Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Dollars (\$100), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot J, in Greenlawn Cemetery, known as the Frank C. Potter Cemetery Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.
Passed May 4, 1944.

319 Water St., Keene, N. H.
To the City Councils of the City of Keene,
N. H.

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene in trust, however, the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) the income therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of Lots No. 1091 and 1104—N. E. D. in Woodland Cemetery.

ELMER A. BEARD.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE MINNIE L. AND ELMER A. BEARD CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Minnie L. and Elmer A. Beard Cemetery Fund of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lots No. 1091 and 1104, Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed May 4, 1944.

To The City Councils of
the City of Keene, N. H.
Gentlemen:

The will of Charles C. Abbott makes the following provision,

"I give and bequeath to the City of Keene as trustee in trust the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), to hold, manage and invest the same and use the annual income thereof exclusively and without commingling with other funds in the care, maintenance and improvement of the cemetery lot in Greenlawn Cemetery in said Keene in which Frank K. Burnham is buried. Any excess of income in any year or years shall be allowed to accumulate to provide a fund for replacing and repairing the stones and doing anything which may be necessary to said lot."

I enclose check for \$300 to the order of the City of Keene, request the acceptance of the legacy, and also enclose a receipt for it.

Yours very truly,
ORVILLE E. CAIN.

Enc.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CHARLES C. ABBOTT CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Charles C. Abbott Cemetery Fund of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 161 in Greenlawn Cemetery known as the Abbott and Burnham Cemetery Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed May 4, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO PURCHASE OF AN AUSTIN WESTERN PATROL SWEEPER.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene purchase an Austin Western patrol sweeper at the cost of four thousand two hundred (\$4,200) dollars. That the money be taken from the Public Works Department appropriation.

Recommended by the Committee on Public Works.

Passed May 4, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A RECREATION COMMITTEE.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That a Recreation Committee be appointed by the Mayor to consist of one member from the Board of Education, the Park Commissioner, one member of the City Government and four other members from the public, two of whom shall be women, for the purpose of advising the Mayor and City Councils concerning recreational facilities and problems.

Strike out the phrase "for the purpose of advising the Mayor and City Councils concerning recreational facilities and problems" and add in place thereof—"to promote and develop a concrete Playground and Recreational plan for the City of Keene and submit it to Mayor and City Councils and Board of Education for their approval, together with a Budget necessary to carry out the plan."

Amendment. The Recreation Committee shall include the Supt. of Schools and Supt. of Public Works.

Passed May 4, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A SIDEWALK IN PARK AVENUE FROM PARKER'S PINES TO ARLINGTON.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of repairing, grading and filling of the Sidewalk in Park Avenue from Parker's Pines to Arlington.

Passed May 4, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR FIRE ALARM REGISTER.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$215.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for the purchase of a Fire Alarm Register.

Passed May 4, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Public Works Committee be empowered to dispose of old, obsolete equipment not being used by the Public Works Department, to the highest bidder,

the proceeds therefrom to be placed to the credit of the Public Works Department as a special fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing new equipment when needed and when available.

Passed May 4, 1944.

95 Prescott Street
Cambridge 38, Mass.
May 26, 1944

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, the income to be used for the perpetual care of Lot No. 511, N. E. Division, in Woodland Cemetery. This fund to be known as the James D. and Carrie L. Dexter Cemetery Trust Fund.

VANDELIA A. DEXTER.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE JAMES D. AND CARRIE L. DEXTER CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the James D. and Carrie L. Dexter Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 511, Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 1, 1944.

Keene, New Hampshire
May 16, 1944

To the Members of the City Council of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), the income to be used for perpetual care of Lot No. 1117, Section No. 7 in Woodland Cemetery, northeast Division.

The Fund to be known as the John M. Higgins Trust Fund.

GERALDINE E. HIGGINS

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE JOHN M. HIGGINS CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its councils hereby accepts the John M. Higgins Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 1117, Section No. 7 in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 1, 1944.

6 Hovey Street
Watertown, Mass.
May 10, 1944.

To the City Councils of the
City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), the income to be used for the perpetual care of the George W. Buckminster cemetery lot No. 112, Section 6, in N. E. D. Woodland Cemetery.

GEORGE E. BUCKMINSTER

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
GEORGE E. BUCKMINSTER CEMETERY
FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the George E. Buckminster Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150) in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 112, Section 6, in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D., known as the George W. Buckminster Cemetery Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 1, 1944.

May 9, 1944.

Mrs. Lena F. Warren,
City Clerk,
Keene, N. H.
Dear Mrs. Warren:

Enclosed find petition of George D. Britton to pay the City \$150 for the perpetual care of Lot No. 107 in the West Keene Cemetery. Will you kindly see this is presented in the proper manner?

Yours very truly,

CHARLES A. MADDEN.

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To the City Councils of
the City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give the City of Keene the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Britton Lot No. 107 in the West Keene Cemetery, the fund to be known as the Cora C. Britton Fund.

Dated the twenty-second day of April, 1944.

GEORGE D. BRITTON

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
CORA C. BRITTON CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Cora C. Britton Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 107 in West Cemetery, known as the Britton Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed May 1, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
LILLA SNOW MCQUILLAN CEMETERY
FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Lilla Snow McQuillan Cemetery Fund of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 19 in Greenlawn Cemetery, known as the Henry L. Snow Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 1, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN
APPROPRIATION FOR HONOR ROLL.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the sum of Seventeen Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1750) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated, for an Honor Roll for men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

Passed June 1, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AD-
JOURNMENT.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That when these bodies adjourn it be to meet on the First Thursday in September next, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the Mayor.

Passed June 1, 1944.

June 27, 1944

City of Keene
City Hall
Keene, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

As I wrote you on April 21, the will of Josephine S. Dunham, late of Keene, provides as follows:

"I give and bequeath to the City of Keene, New Hampshire, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), in trust however, the income only to be used for the perpetual care of the Dunham family plot in Woodland Cemetery in said Keene."

By your letter of May 5, you inform me that \$150 will be required for the perpetual care of the Dunham plot and I have had an additional \$50 allowed by the Cheshire Probate Court for that purpose.

You will find a check for \$150 enclosed.

Very truly yours,

HENRY C. ARWE

Enc.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE JOSEPHINE S. DUNHAM CEMETERY FUND.

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Josephine S. Dunham Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 49, Section No. 5 in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 27, 1944.

Keene, N. H., June 7, 1944.

To the City Councils of the
City of Keene :

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), the income to be used for the perpetual care of the George W. S. Platts lots, numbered 50 and 51, Section 14, in the North East Division of Woodland Cemetery.

GEO W. S. PLATTS.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE GEORGE W. S. PLATTS CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the George W. S. Platts Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lots No. 50 and 51, Section 14, in Woodland Cemetery, North East Division.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed June 27, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR DEDICATION EXERCISES FOR HONOR ROLL.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for dedication exercises for the Honor Roll.

Passed June 27, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR PLAYGROUNDS AND RECREATION.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Forty Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for Playgrounds and Recreation.

Passed June 27, 1944.

Keene, N. H., August 3, 1944.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200), income to be used for the perpetual care of the Robert C. Jones Lot No. 642 in Woodland Cemetery. This fund to be known as the Robert C. Jones Cemetery Fund.

M. ALICE JONES.

EUNICE A. JONES

WM. E. JONES.

94 Spring Street
Keene, New Hampshire

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ROBERT C. JONES CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its councils hereby accepts the Robert C. Jones Cemetery Fund of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, in trust, however, the income to be used for perpetual care of the Robert C. Jones Lot No. 642 in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds, according to law.

Passed August 3, 1944.

Summit Road
Keene, New Hampshire
July 20, 1944

To the City Councils
City of Keene

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), in trust however for the following purposes:

1. The income from \$100 to be used for the care of one-half of the Hayward Lot No. 1, Section 6 (provision for the care of the other half having been heretofore made), Woodland Cemetery.

2. The income from \$200 to be used for the care of Robert P. Hayward Lot No. 639, Section 14, Northeast Division, Woodland Cemetery.

HILDA H. PARKER,

Executrix u/w

Ina P. Hayward

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
ROBERT P. HAYWARD CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its councils hereby accepts the Robert P. Hayward Cemetery Fund of Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars, in trust however, the income from One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars to be used for the care of one-half of the Hayward Lot No. 1, Section 6 (provision for the care of the other half having been heretofore made), Woodland Cemetery. The income from Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars to be used for the care of Robert P. Hayward Lot No. 639, Section 14, Northeast Division, Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed August 3, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A
TEMPORARY LOAN.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That for the purpose of paying such claims against the City of Keene during the remainder of the current municipal term the Joint Standing Committee on Finance and the City Treasurer of said City be and hereby are authorized and empowered to make a temporary loan not exceeding the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000.00) Dollars. Said loan being in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year and hereby expressly made payable therefrom, said Treasurer giving for said loan the note of said City bearing interest, or discounted and signed by said Treasurer and the Mayor of said City of Keene and payable within three months from its respective date; and be it further resolved that the above resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed August 3, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A
LAWN RUG FOR THE CEMETERY.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for the purchase of a lawn rug for the cemetery.

Passed August 3, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN
APPROPRIATION.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That a sum not to exceed Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for expenses incurred or to be incurred by Committee on Veterans' Hospital.

Passed August 3, 1944.

Metropolitan State Hospital,
Waltham, Massachusetts.

August 16, 1944.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene,
Keene, New Hampshire.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars, for perpetual care of Lot No. 30, Section 14, North East Division in Woodland Cemetery, the fund to be known as the Dr. Harry J. Hill Cemetery Fund.

Very truly yours,

DR. ELIZABETH T. HILL.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
DR. HARRY J. HILL CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Dr. Harry J. Hill Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 30, Section 14, Northeast Division, Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 7, 1944.

Aug. 14, 1944.

Director of Woodland Cemetery
Keene, N. H.

Dear Sir:

As executor under the will of Wallace E. Mason, please find enclosed a check for \$150.00 for perpetual care of Lot No. 1,

Sec. 14, North East Division, in Woodland Cemetery.

Very truly yours,

HAROLD E. MASON.

Executor.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE WALLACE E. MASON CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Wallace E. Mason Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Cemetery Lot No. 1, Section 14, Northeast Division, Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 7, 1944.

August 10, 1944

Mrs. Otis H. Warren
City Clerk
Keene, New Hampshire
Dear Mrs. Warren:

I enclose herewith my check in the sum of \$150.00 as authorized by the children of Charles E. Woods and Nellie O. Woods for the purpose of creating a trust fund for the perpetual care of the cemetery lot in Woodland Cemetery in which their parents are buried.

I also enclose the copies of the authorization signed by Donald E. Woods, Ruth Woods and Edythe A. Stevens.

Will you kindly see that the matter is brought to the attention of the City Councils for proper action.

Very truly yours,

HOMER S. BRADLEY.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene
Keene, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

For the purpose of creating a fund for the care of the cemetery lot in which our parents are buried, my sister Ruth E. Woods, my brother Donald E. Woods, and I have authorized Homer S. Bradley, Administrator of the estate of Nellie O. Woods, as our attorney, to pay over to the City of Keene from our distributive share of her estate the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars to be held in trust, however, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the said Charles E. Woods and Nellie O. Woods lot, being Lot No. 191 in Woodland Cemetery in Keene.

EDYTHE A. STEVENS

To the City Councils of the City of Keene
Keene, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

For the purpose of creating a fund for the care of the cemetery lot in which our parents are buried, my sisters Ruth E. Woods and Edythe A. Stevens, and I have authorized Homer S. Bradley, Administrator of the estate of Nellie O. Woods, as our attorney, to pay over to the City of Keene from our distributive share of her estate the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars to be held in trust, however, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the said Charles E. Woods and Nellie O. Woods lot, being Lot No. 191 in Woodland Cemetery in Keene.

DONALD E. WOODS

To the City Councils of the City of Keene
Keene, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

For the purpose of creating a fund for the care of the cemetery lot in which our parents are buried, my sister Edythe A. Stevens, my brother Donald E. Woods, and I have authorized Homer S. Bradley, Administrator of the estate of Nellie O. Woods, as our attorney, to pay over to the City of Keene from our distributive share of her estate the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars to be held in trust, however, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the said Charles E. Woods and Nellie O. Woods lot, being Lot No. 191 in Woodland Cemetery in Keene.

RUTH WOODS

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CHARLES E. AND NELLIE O. WOODS CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Charles E. and Nellie O. Woods Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 191 in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 7, 1944.

Keene, New Hampshire
To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), the income to be used for the perpetual care of Cemetery Lot No. 348 in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D., to be known as

the Anna Latham Cemetery Fund.

Very truly yours,

MRS. ANNA LATHAM

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
ANNA LATHAM CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils
hereby accepts the Anna Latham Cemetery
Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars
(\$150.00), in trust, however, the income
to be used for the care of Cemetery Lot No.
348 in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said
fund which shall be invested by the Trus-
tees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 7, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN
APPROPRIATION FOR V-DAY.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars
(\$200.00) be appropriated from money
not otherwise appropriated to cover inci-
dental expenses of V-Day.

Passed September 7, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO
CEMETERY PURCHASES.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the sum of One Thousand Dol-
lars (\$1,000.00) be appropriated from
money not otherwise appropriated for the
purpose of purchasing approximately 375
yards of loam @ \$2.00 per yard, \$100.00
worth of fertilizer and \$100.00 worth of
seed for the cemetery.

Passed September 7, 1944.

Keene, N. H., Sept. 13, 1944

Mrs. Lena F. Warren,

City Clerk, Keene, N. H.

I am enclosing check to the City of
Keene, for One Hundred Fifty Dollars,
(\$150.00) in trust, the income to be used
for the care and maintenance of Lot No.
633 in North East Division of Woodland
Cemetery.

MYRON A. NIMS.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
MYRON A. NIMS CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils
hereby accepts the Myron A. Nims Ceme-
tery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars
(\$150.00), in trust, however, the income
to be used for the care of Cemetery Lot

No. 633, N. E. D., Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said
fund which shall be invested by the Trus-
tees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 19, 1944.

September 15, 1944

To the City Councils of the
City of Keene.

I would like to give to the City of
Keene the sum of \$150.00 for perpetual
care of lot No. 427, Recorded Vol. 11,
Page 214 in Greenlawn Cemetery known
as the William J. Malloy lot. I spoke
to Mr. Britton and he recommended
\$150.00. I will send check for same as
soon as I hear from you.

Thanking you for your kindness and
early reply, I remain

MRS. ELVINA TORREY,

daughter of William & Alice Malloy
102 Main St.
Brattleboro, Vt.
Apt. T

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
ELVINA TORREY CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils
hereby accepts the Elvina Torrey Cemetery
Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars
(\$150.00), in trust, however, the income
to be used for the care of Cemetery Lot No.
427 in Greenlawn Cemetery known as the
William J. Malloy Lot.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said
fund which shall be invested by the Trus-
tees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 19, 1944.

Keene, N. H., September 7, 1944

To the City Councils of the City
of Keene:

Gentlemen:

The undersigned desires to give to the
City of Keene, in trust, two hundred dol-
lars (\$200.00), the income of which is
to be used for the care of lot 607 in Section
14, N. E. D. in Woodland Cemetery.

This shall be known as the John Hale
Woodbury, Senior Fund.

JOHN H. WOODBURY, SR.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
JOHN HALE WOODBURY, SR., CEME-
TERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils
hereby accepts the John Hale Woodbury,
Sr., Cemetery Fund of Two Hundred Dol-

lars (\$200.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 607, Section 14, N. E. D., in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 19, 1944.

Keene, N. H., Sept. 16, 1944.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene.

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene in trust, however, the sum of Three Hundred dollars (\$300), the income therefrom to be used for the perpetual care of Lots No. 1082, Sec. 7 and No. 1095, Sec. 7, in Woodland Cemetery.

JOSEPH L. DESGRANGES

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE JOSEPH L. DESGRANGES CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Joseph L. Desgranges Cemetery Fund of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Cemetery Lots No. 1082, Sec. 7, and No. 1095, Sec. 7, in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed September 19, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION FOR A MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS GIFT TO CITIZENS OF KEENE IN THE ARMED FORCES.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for a Municipal Christmas Gift to citizens of Keene in the Armed Forces.

Passed September 14, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH A FUND FOR CITIZENS OF KEENE RETURNING FROM THE SERVICE.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated to establish a Fund for Citizens of Keene returning from the service.

Amendment. That three Trustees be elected by City Councils in joint conven-

tion to maintain said fund and accumulations therein.

Passed September 19, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO AN APPROPRIATION.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00), be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for increase in Salary of City Solicitor as per Section 3, Chapter XXXV of City Ordinances as amended April 6, 1944.

Passed October 5, 1944.

September 20, 1944.

Mayor and City Council,
City of Keene,
New Hampshire

I wish to pay to the City \$150.00 to be safely invested and the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Elwin Damon lot in Woodland Extension, Keene, New Hampshire.

Given at Keene this 20th day of September, 1944.

ELWIN DAMON ESTATE
By BERTHA L. DAMON,

Executrix

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ELWIN DAMON CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Elwin Damon Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Elwin Damon Cemetery Lot No. 1135 in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed October 5, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO FUNDS FOR THE KEENE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of \$264.00 be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated to be expended for the benefit of the Keene Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Passed October 5, 1944.

September 25, 1944

City of Keene
City Hall
Keene, New Hampshire
Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith I am sending you a check for \$150.00 which is to be held by the City of Keene in trust, the income only to be used for the perpetual care of the Thomas R. Cota burial lot in Woodland Cemetery, numbered 408, the trust to be known as the Thomas R. Cota Trust.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Very truly yours,

HENRY C. ARWE

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
THOMAS R. COTA CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Thomas R. Cota Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust however, the income to be used for the care of the Thomas R. Cota Cemetery Lot No. 408 in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

Oct. 28, 1944.

Lena F. Warren
City Clerk

Mr. Britton will give you the detail on this burial lot. Make deed to Henry F. and Julia P. Barrett. Check \$60.

The \$300 check is for perpetual care of this lot also of the Abijah H. Barrett lot.

Yours truly,

JULIA P. BARRETT

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
HENRY F. AND JULIA P. BARRETT
CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Henry F. and Julia P. Barrett Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Henry F. and Julia P. Barrett Cemetery Lot No. 1111, Section 7, N. E. D., Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
ABIJAH H. BARRETT CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Abijah H. Barrett Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Abijah H. Barrett Cemetery Lot No. 518, Section 5, N. E. D. Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

Keene, New Hampshire, October 9, 1944.
To the Honorable Mayor and
City Councils:

As the Executor of the Estate of Frank A. Cole, late of Keene, I hereby respectfully request your consideration to the acceptance of the sum of \$150.00 to be kept in trust, the interest therefrom to be used in the care and upkeep of the Cole cemetery lot. Immediately upon notification of the acceptance of this trust fund I will be in a position to pay over to the City a check for \$150.00.

Respectfully,

HARRY A. PAGE, *Executor*
Estate of Frank A. Cole.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
FRANK A. COLE CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Frank A. Cole Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Frank A. Cole Cemetery Lot No. 641, Woodland Cemetery. N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

Oct. 18, 1944

To the City Council
Keene, N. H.

The children of the late Dr. H. K. Faulkner offer to the city of Keene the sum of \$200, to be held in trust as a permanent fund and the income only used for the care and maintenance of the lot in Woodland Cemetery, where Dr. Faulkner and his wife are buried.

Upon notice of the acceptance of the offer I will be ready to pay its amount.

For the children of Dr. H. K. Faulkner.
CHARLES S. FAULKNER.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
DR. HERBERT K. FAULKNER CEME-
TERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Doctor Herbert K. Faulkner Cemetery Fund of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Cemetery Lot No. 528, Section 13, N. E. D. Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

October 24, 1944.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene.

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene One hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) in trust however, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Preston Edwards lot No. 300, Sec. 9 N. E. Div. Woodland Cemetery. This fund to be known as the Preston Edwards Fund.

ONA EDWARDS SAWYER.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
PRESTON EDWARDS CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Preston Edwards Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Preston Edwards Cemetery Lot No. 300, Section 9, N. E. D. Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

October 12

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The undersigned desires to give to the City of Keene, in trust, however, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to be added to the George F. Sanborn Fund. The income to be used for the care of Lot No. 9, Section 7, in Woodland Cemetery.

BLANCHE S. CLARK.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
GEORGE F. SANBORN CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the George F. Sanborn Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), in trust, however, in addition to the Fund already accepted, the income to be used for the care of the George F. Sanborn Cemetery Lot No. 9, Section 7, in Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

October 7, 1944.

City Clerk,

Keene, New Hampshire.

Dear Sir:

My son William B. Viall and I wish to add two hundred (\$200.00) dollars to the fund for the care of the Viall lot in Greenlawn Cemetery if it meets the approval of the Mayor and Board of Government. Will they want a more formal request? If so will you advise me as to the proper formula.

I enclose my check for two hundred (\$200.00) dollars.

Very truly yours,

EMMA W. VIALL.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
HERBERT B. VIALL CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Herbert B. Viall Cemetery Fund of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), in trust, however, in addition to the Fund already accepted. The income to be used for the care of the Herbert B. Viall Cemetery Lot No. 263 in Greenlawn Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

Monticello, Florida
October 22, 1944

Miss Lena F. Warren, City Clerk
Keene, New Hampshire
Dear Miss Warren:

I enclose a check for \$150.00, the minimum amount for a Trust Fund for the purpose of providing perpetual care for the lot of Abbott W. and Addie E. Dickinson (Lot No. 366 1/2, east half in the North-east Division of Woodland Cemetery.)

Will you please place this request before the City Council, the procedure indicated in your letter to me under the date of October 14, 1944.

Sincerely yours,

ELINOR N. BRINK

Mrs. F. A. Brink

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ABBOTT W. AND ADDIE E. DICKINSON CEMETERY FUND.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Abbott W. and Addie E. Dickinson Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Abbott W. and Addie E. Dickinson Cemetery Lot No. 366 1/2, East Half, N. E. D. Woodland Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed November 2, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO NEW INDUSTRIES.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated from money not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred or to be incurred in getting new industries to come to Keene.

Passed November 2, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD AND THE CITY OF KEENE RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF THE KEENE SHOPS.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to a joint resolution, dated May 2, 1940, the City entered into a contract with the Boston & Maine Railroad, dated May 22, 1940, authorizing the Railroad to discontinue the operation of its Keene shops; and,

WHEREAS, the Railroad in accordance with its undertaking in said contract procured the occupancy of said shop property by an acceptable industry, to wit, the New

England Screw Company, as Lessee thereof with the eventual right to a conveyance to it of said property; and,

WHEREAS, the annual payrolls of the New England Screw Company and the Railroad, regarding the amount of which, the said contract contains certain agreements by the Railroad, have in fact been greatly in excess of the amounts contemplated at the time said contract was executed - - having totalled \$1,315,358.00 at the end of 1943, and being expected to total approximately \$1,700,000.00 at the end of 1944 - - and the New England Screw Company has proven a valuable asset to the City of Keene and has amply demonstrated its ability to provide a payroll of \$105,000.00 per annum; and,

WHEREAS the additions and improvements to the property made by the New England Screw Company have resulted in increased tax revenue to the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Railroad desires to be relieved of any remaining obligations to the City under said contract, and is ready to convey its shop property occupied by the New England Screw Company to a trustee, to be held by such trustee subject to rights of the New England Screw Company as Lessee and its right to receive title thereto on completion of its payroll obligations; upon trust to convey said shop property to the City, free of trust, at the expiration of such lease, occurring otherwise than by reason of a conveyance to the New England Screw Company in accordance with the terms thereof; and,

WHEREAS, the New England Screw Company has given its approval to the foregoing changes, and is ready to stand obligated to the trustee upon all its agreements contained in its lease from the Railroad, dated July 1, 1940, which are of benefit to the City:

RESOLVED, etc. as follows:

"That the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign on behalf of the City a proper release of the Boston & Maine Railroad from all its obligations to the City by reason of said contract dated May 22, 1940, and to deliver said release to the Railroad upon the execution by the Boston & Maine Railroad, the New England Screw Company, a trustee and the City, of a trust indenture providing for the conveyance by the Railroad of its shop property to the trustee upon the trusts above set forth, and that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to sign said trust indenture on behalf of

the City for the purpose of manifesting the assent of the City thereto."

Passed November 2, 1944.

November 20, 1944.

To the Mayor and City Councils
Keene, New Hampshire

I wish to pay to the City of Keene One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) which is to be held in trust, income to be used for perpetual care of the Grace S. Wilder Lot No. 241, in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D., to be known as the Grace S. Wilder Cemetery Fund.

GRACE S. WILDER,
50 Franklin Street, Keene, N. H.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
GRACE S. WILDER CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Grace S. Wilder Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of the Grace S. Wilder Cemetery Lot No. 241, in Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed December 7, 1944.

Office of City Clerk.
Dear Madam,

Enclosed check is for perpetual care for burial lot deeded to Evans H. Barrett, Rt. 2, Summit Road.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO EVANS H. BARRETT CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the Evans H. Barrett Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, however, the income to be used for the care of Lot No. 1128, Section 7, Woodland Cemetery, N. E. D.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed December 7, 1944.

December 5, 1944.

To the Honorable Mayor &
City Council
City of Keene
New Hampshire

The widow and heirs of George M. Reed wish to give to the City \$150 to be invested and the income used for the care of the George M. Reed lot in Greenlawn Cemetery. My check payable to the City of Keene for this amount is annexed hereto, and we shall be glad to have your bodies take such action as is necessary to receive and receipt for this sum.

Very truly,

ROY M. PICKARD

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE
GEORGE M. REED CEMETERY FUND.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the City of Keene by its Councils hereby accepts the George M. Reed Cemetery Fund of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, however the income to be used for the care of the George M. Reed Lot No. 198 in Greenlawn Cemetery.

The City Clerk shall receipt for said fund which shall be invested by the Trustees of Trust Funds according to law.

Passed December 7, 1944.

A JOINT RESOLUTION RELATING TO CAPITAL BUDGETING.

*Resolved by the City Councils of the City
of Keene, as follows:*

That the Keene Delegation to the General Court of the State of New Hampshire be advised that it is the desire of the City of Keene that such legislation as may be necessary to authorize the City of Keene to have 'capital budgeting' be introduced at the next session of the General Court.

Passed December 7, 1944.

